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Ossie Ardiles hoists the FA Cup after Tottenham's 3-2 replay win over Final opponents Manchester City.



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Apr. 15 — Replay (Highbury) Wolves 3-0 — Crooks 2, Villa.
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May 14 — Replay: Man. City 3-2 — Villa 2, Crooks.

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Jan. 23 — Fourth Round: Leeds (H) 1-0 — Crooks.
Feb. 13 — Fifth Round: Aston Villa (H) 1-0 — Falco.
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BRENDAN PLANS ANFIELD UPSET

MEMORIES of Brendan O'Callaghan's last FA Cup trip to mighty Liverpool have given Stoke hope that they can pull off a shock result against the seemingly unbeatable Merseyside giants.

Liverpool away was the draw which every team left in the Fourth Round sack dreaded. It was the one the poor Potteries side got.

But the Stoke striker knows from personal experience that an upset at Anfield — although unlikely — isn't impossible.

And he'll be telling his team-mates of the day he played there in the Fourth Division Doncaster Rovers side which was just ten minutes away from a sensational victory.

It was the Third Round back in 1974 and Brendan remembers: "It looked as though my goal was going to give us a 2-1 victory until Kevin Keegan popped up with a late face-saver.

"The scares still weren't over for them then, because my fellow striker Peter Kitchen saw his last minute shot smack against the post. The Liverpool players were very relieved to hear the whistle at the end of the game."

In the Liverpool side that day were such household names as Ray

Clemence, Emlyn Hughes, Phil Thompson, Steve Heighway and of course goalscorer Keegan.

"That game must rank as one of the most memorable of my career," says Brendan, who was signed by Stoke from Rovers in March 1978 for £80,000.

Liverpool won the replay 2-1 and went on to win the FA Cup that year, but Brendan says: "If a Fourth Division side could snatch a draw at Anfield it's not impossible for Stoke to get a result.

"The fact that we've drawn Liverpool away is motivation in itself to go out there and play. We've got nothing to lose. The pressure will be all on them.

"The Liverpool players would dearly love to win the competition for their manager Bob Paisley in his last season in charge. The fact that they haven't ever lifted the FA Cup under him could make them edgy.

"They've won all the other trophies and approach those games in a confident, relaxed frame of mind. They could be nervous in the FA Cup."

Brendan is only too aware that to come away with anything from Anfield his team have got to improve on their away form. He says: "Recently it's been atrocious.



Brendan O'Callaghan — good memories of Anfield.

"Our form at The Victoria Ground has been good. If we could reproduce that away we'd be well placed in the First Division.

"We just don't seem to get it together away in the First Division, but an FA Cup match at Anfield is a different proposition altogether."

Eire international Brendan is obviously hoping that his team can lift the FA Cup and win their first major trophy since taking the League Cup back in 1972.

But he says: "If we don't win, I can't see anyone stopping Spurs winning it for the third year running.

"They've got a tremendous Cup side. They are completely unrecognisable to the side which plays in the League."

ROUND PREVIEW

CAN STOP SPURS?

'MATCH' previews the best of Saturday's FA Cup Fourth Round ties and asks the question: Who can stop Spurs from completing a Cup hat-trick?

WEST BROM will go all out to shrug off their 'nearly-men' tag on Saturday... and so end Spurs' FA Cup hat-trick hopes.

Albion made it to both domestic cup Semi-Finals last season — just failing to take that vital final step.

They lost 1-0 to Second Division Q.P.R. in the FA Cup and were beaten by the same score in the penultimate round of the Milk Cup — ironically bowing out to Spurs!

And while they must travel to the home of the holders in the Fourth Round of this year's FA Cup contest, wily campaigner Alistair Robertson declares:

"Spurs certainly are not unbeatable and we'll be going all out to topple them.

"After all it's our only hope of success this season.

"We're out of the Milk Cup and behind in the Championship race so we only have the FA Cup to concentrate on.

"And we are extra determined to do well this year following the disappointments of last term.

"Of course we could have picked an easier draw. Spurs do have a great record in the competition.

"They've also been very lucky in the fact that they've hardly had to travel out of London. Home advantage is very important in these matches.

"But I thought we were very unlucky when we lost to Spurs in last season's Milk Cup."

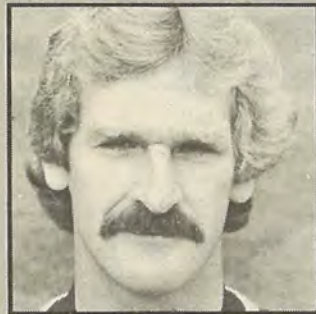
West Brom have already taken revenge over Q.P.R. with victory over the London side in the Third Round of this season's competition.

And 30-year-old Alistair says: "We were delighted with the 3-2 victory. I only hope we can do the same against Spurs."

On a personal note, Alistair, who has made more than 400 League appearances for the club, adds: "Time is running out for me. Every year that passes means two less opportunities for me to reach Wembley.

"Hopefully this can be our year but if we don't win the trophy I can see it going to either Liverpool or Manchester United."

One team with other ideas is Manchester City — eager to wipe out bitter memories of their Final



Alistair Robertson — going all out to topple the holders.

defeat by Spurs in 1981.

But it is not going to be easy for City, who travel to the South coast to take on Brighton at the Goldstone Ground in the Fourth Round.

Keeper Joe Corrigan sees it as the crunch game. "If we can get through this one and then get a home draw in the next round, we could go all the way again," says Joe.

"But we do not under-estimate Brighton and realise it's going to be a very difficult game."

Brighton forwards Peter Ward, Andy Ritchie and former City star Mick Robinson will be the danger

men but Joe says:

"Defensively, we are playing very well at the moment and we should be able to contain them. Tommy Caton should be back in the side to give us extra stability.

"But we will not be playing for a draw on Saturday — the manager doesn't like defensive tactics — and we will certainly be going out there looking for a result."

City beat Sunderland in the last round after a replay and that game saw Denis Tueart back to his old form. "Denis is playing really well at the moment," says Joe. "And with David Cross knocking in the goals again, we have to fancy our chances against Brighton."

On Tottenham's hopes of a Cup hat-trick, Joe says: "I don't rate their chances very highly at all.

"They are not such an attractive side as they were last year and not so well equipped to win the Cup again."

Arsenal's John Hollins, meanwhile believes great London rivals Spurs could complete a hat-trick of wins in the FA Cup. But at the same time, he fancies it might be the 'Gunners' year.

Having won the competition for the last two seasons, Spurs will make history if they lift the coveted trophy again at Wembley in May.

And says John: "I don't think it's beyond them to win it again.

"They have proved themselves to be a tremendous cup side over the last few years and having Ossie Ardiles back will give them an extra boost.

"If they can steer clear of injuries and get the luck of the draw, Spurs are obviously in with a chance."

1982

The Cup is in Spurs' hands again. Glenn Hoddle — the match-winner — savours the 1-0 victory over Q.P.R.



Meanwhile John believes it could be Arsenal's turn for a Wembley visit.

"I think we've got a good chance of going all the way this season," says John. "Our poor form in the League has made us more determined to succeed in the cup.

"A Spurs versus Arsenal Final would be nice," says John, who won a Cup winners' medal with Chelsea when they beat Leeds in 1970.

And it's Leeds who Arsenal face in the Fourth Round of the FA Cup on Saturday. Says John: "It's a good draw for us because we are at home.

"But Leeds are a side who rise to the big occasion and so it's not going to be easy for us."

Chelsea midfielder Mike Fillery, who shocked Spurs with a stunning goal in last season's FA Cup Quarter Final, believes his London rivals can go all the way again.

Chelsea were eventually beaten in a 3-2 thriller at Stamford Bridge and Mike says: "The way their luck is running I fancy them for Wembley again. They seem to get drawn at home so often. If they have to travel, it's not usually very far.

"They are a very good cup side. They've got so many talented players who can swing a game with a touch of sheer brilliance and who love the big occasion. Players like Glenn Hoddle, Ossie Ardiles and Ricky Villa are just three who spring to mind."

Chelsea themselves face Derby at the Baseball Ground and Mike is expecting a tough battle. "They'll be cock-a-hoop after their win over Nottingham Forest. New manager Peter Taylor is no mug and he's taken teams to Wembley before. It's a difficult one for us."

TOMMY'S A TITAN

TALENTED Manchester City defender Tommy Caton is being hailed as the new John Charles.

Who is comparing him with the legendary Welsh giant? None other than England manager Bobby Robson:

"With his size and physique, potentially he's a John Charles and he has earned full international squad selection," says the England boss after Tommy (20) had been named as the Robinson's Barley Water 'Young Player of the Month'.

The regional winners were: North East — Barry Venison (Sunderland); Yorkshire — Darren Wood (Middlesbrough); Midlands — Mark Chamberlain (Stoke); London (North) and East Anglia — Kenny Jackett (Watford); London (South) and South — Chris Ramsey (Brighton); Wales and West — Andrew Dibble (Cardiff).

THIRD Division Exeter are to invite 100 children from different schools each week as their guests at St James' Park, starting with the home clash with Cardiff this weekend.

THE DOC RAPS RON

MANCHESTER United manager Ron Atkinson has come under fire from one of his Old Trafford predecessors, Tommy Docherty.

'The Doc' reckons the United boss should be able to guarantee the First Division Championship with all the money he has spent.

Before flying out to Australia to rejoin Sydney Olympic, the irrepressible 'Doc' claimed:

"Since Sir Matt Busby retired, I've been the best United manager by a mile.

"For all Ron Atkinson's image, he's only ever been at Kettering, Oxford and Cambridge and he took over a good team at West Brom ... yet he still never won anything.

"With the money he's spent at United, he should guarantee Chairman Martin Edwards the First Division title ... yet mistakes are still being made.

"Lou Macari and Martin Buchan should be in the team instead of kicking their heels on the sidelines and with Norman Whiteside and Frank Stapleton up front, they should be playing with two wingers."

And rival Manchester Boss John Bond doesn't escape the Doc's lashing tongue either.

"John Bond says that managers must make their teams go out and entertain, but anybody can see that's the last thing he's done at Maine Road," says Tommy.

'CALL ME SIR' JOKES MARTIN

FIVE days after scoring Norwich City's late winner at Ipswich to give them their first away win of the season, Martin O'Neill was awarded an MBE in the New Year honours list.

Joked the Northern Ireland skipper: "That must prove I've got fans in high places. The rest of the lads reckon at that rate, if I ever manage a hat-trick, I'd end up being knighted for sure."

● LUTON, thanks to a Paul Walsh hat-trick at West Ham, were the second winners in the Fiat 'Performance of the Week' award.

Their 3-2 victory at Upton Park has earned Luton Boys' Club £250 and a new football strip which they will receive before Luton's home clash with champions Liverpool on Saturday week (Feb 5).

KEEGAN ON THE MOVE

KEEGAN'S on the move again ... not Kevin, but Oldham's former skipper Ged.

The former Manchester City player has been unable to achieve a regular spot in Joe Royle's side this season, and so he wants to leave Boundary Park.

RESEARCH shows that sixty of the 92 League clubs had their biggest home crowds of the season during the Christmas and New Year periods.



Former Manchester United boss Tommy Docherty — lashing out.

DID YOU KNOW!

WHAT do Bob Latchford (Swansea), Ross Jenkins (Watford), Mike Channon (Norwich) and Alan Buckley (Walsall) have in common?

Well, they have all achieved the rare feat of scoring a hat-trick in each of the country's three major competitions — League, FA Cup and League Cup.

★ ★ ★
EXETER City have been dumped out of the FA Cup by more non-League teams since the war than any other League Club.

Eight teams — Bath, Dartford, Bedford, Gravesend, Nuneaton, Walton and Hersham, Alvechurch and Maidstone — have all ended Exeter's Cup hopes at some time.

The club lost to Plymouth in the First Round this season.

★ ★ ★
EVERTON and Sheffield Wednesday share the all-time record for most ever FA Cup meetings.

They have been drawn together eleven times, yet Lancashire rivals Burnley and Preston, among the original 12 Football League clubs, have never been paired together.

★ ★ ★
IT'S 12 years since any player has ended a season with as many as half of his team's Football League goals.

It was back in 1970-71 that Ted McDougall scored 42 of Bournemouth's 81 Fourth Division goals that season.

JUST WHAT SANTA ORDERED

THE thriftiness of the Scots is legendary, but Liverpool's Kenny Dalglish has proved they have a very keen sense of humour too.

After claiming the match ball following his first hat-trick for two years in the holiday win over Manchester City, the Scotland ace explained:

"It was a case of having to score three. My son, Paul, said he wanted a football for Christmas.

"So why buy one, when I could go out and win him one!"

■ FORMER Scotland and Leeds winger Peter Lorimer is playing in the Republic of Ireland for University College, Dublin.

He has joined them on a temporary transfer until he returns to Vancouver in March.

SWOP SHOP

OFFER: Manchester United scarf and an Arsenal v Southampton programme.

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Warren Bannister, Selwood House, 64 Chine Walk, Ferndown, Dorset.

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WANTS: Wolves' scarf, pennant and photographs.
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OFFER: Liverpool official annual 1980, Liverpool scarf, photographs of Emyln Hughes and Phil Neal, and a Liverpool rosetta.

WANTS: Pictures, programmes, autographs and souvenirs of anything to do with Swindon Town (especially Paul Rideout and Steve Abbley).
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WANTS: Programmes.
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OFFER: Bolton programmes 1979/80 season (some autographed), Torquay United programmes (four) 1979 season, and FA Cup Semi-Final programme 1979 (Manchester United v Liverpool).
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DAVID AND DIXIE ARE CUP ACES

★ STRIKER David Gwyther's goal for Newport in their 1-1 FA Cup Third Round draw with Everton at Somerton Park held extra special significance.

The former Swansea, Halifax and Rotherham forward took his Cup tally to 28 with that goal, and that puts him level with Hereford's Dixie McNeil, who held the record for current League players.

BOBBY'S BOY!

Stevens is back in favour

ENGLAND boss Bobby Robson has never forgotten the fresh-faced schoolboy he turned away from Portman Road.

Defender Gary Stevens was heartbroken when his dreams of signing full-time for Bobby's First Division Ipswich were shattered.

But now Gary is back in Robson's good books — as one of the dark horses in his international plans.

Gary has been a regular member of the England Under-21 squad even though he's yet to play internationally and he admits: "Quite honestly it didn't cross my mind that I'd get in the Under-21 squad when Bobby took over."

"I went into the club and I was given a letter with a big England emblem on it. I still didn't realise what it was until I opened it."

Gary, now 20, made his League debut for Brighton a year after being shown the door by Ipswich and is now well on his way to a second century of appearances.

He's forged a strong central defensive partnership with England cap Steve Foster and caretaker boss Jimmy Melia is convinced this pairing can help preserve Brighton's precious First Division status.

It's a long way from the day that his

top-flight hopes looked to be shattered.

He recalls: "I was at Ipswich as a schoolboy but it didn't work out. I used to train at the club from when I was fourteen until I left school at sixteen."

"I was there for about a month full-time before Bobby Robson told me he wasn't going to keep me on. I was unemployed at the time but got my expenses when I played for the youth team."

"It was shattering to be told I wasn't going to be kept on but I can't knock the decision because it was the best thing that ever happened to me. Ipswich even fixed me up with the trial at Brighton and it's gone terrific ever since."

Gary's career was rescued by Ken Cragg's because of an old family friendship.

Ken was manager at non-League Hounslow and his assistant was Gary's father.

Gary explained: "Ken moved to Brighton on the backroom staff and that was what prompted the move to the South Coast."

"Even though I was only sixteen and living at Bury St. Edmunds my Dad encouraged me to move down to the coast when I was offered a contract."



Brighton's Gary Stevens — back in Bobby Robson's good books.

MATCH CHAT

Compiled by Melvyn Beck

WHAT THE DICKENS!

WEST Ham skipper Billy Bonds is dismayed that talented youngster Alan Dickens is being labelled 'the new Trevor Brooking'.

"It's a terrible burden for the lad to carry," says Billy about the youngster who made a story-book scoring debut in the 2-1 win at Notts County last month.

"People make comparisons like this all the time, and I wish they wouldn't."

"It's true Alan has a similar, lazy-looking style to Trevor, but to start comparing the lad with him after just a couple of games is completely ridiculous."

"It's going to be hard enough as it is for Alan to make a name for himself in the tough world of modern-day soccer without thinking he's got to live up to something like that."



SWANS MAKE SOCCER HISTORY

SWANSEA are set to create a piece of soccer history next month when they stage the first-ever Division One game to be played on a Sunday. Struggling 'Swans' are entertaining high-flying Watford on Sunday, February 6, the match having been switched from the Saturday because of Wales' Rugby Union international against England.

● YOU can rely on Match go get to the bottom of a good story. Sheffield Wednesday striker Andy McCulloch was said to be doubtful for the Owl's Third Round Cup clash at Southend because of a bruised foot. In fact, we can reveal that the real problem was elsewhere — in the shape of a painful boil on his backside!

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HONOURS: Division One Champions, 1953-54, 1957-58, 1958-59; runners-up, 1937-38, 1938-39, 1949-50, 1954-55, 1959-60; Division Two Champions, 1931-32, 1976-77; runners-up, 1966-67; Division Three (North) champions, 1923-24; FA Cup winners, 1893, 1908, 1949, 1960; runners-up, 1889, 1896, 1921, 1939. League Cup winners, 1973-74, 1979-80; UEFA Cup runners-up, 1971-72.

WOLVES' LEAGUE RECORD

Season	Division	Position
1959-60	— One —	2nd
1960-61	— One —	3rd
1961-62	— One —	18th
1962-63	— One —	5th
1963-64	— One —	16th
1964-65	— One —	21st
1965-66	— One —	6th
1966-67	— Two —	2nd
1967-68	— One —	17th
1968-69	— One —	16th
1969-70	— One —	13th
1970-71	— One —	4th
1971-72	— One —	9th
1972-73	— One —	5th
1973-74	— One —	12th
1974-75	— One —	12th
1975-76	— One —	20th
1976-77	— Two —	1st
1977-78	— One —	15th
1978-79	— One —	18th
1979-80	— One —	6th
1980-81	— One —	18th
1981-82	— One —	21st

WANDERERS: THE CRISIS

- May 15—Wolves relegated from Division One.
- July 2— Official Receiver called in. Club lost £725,000 the previous season.
- July 14—Announced that Wolves are hoping to form a new company to enable them to carry on.
- July 18—Millionaire Jack Hayward, whose father was born in Wolverhampton, says he does not want to see the club die.
- July 22—Wolves granted a week's stay of execution by the Football League and Official Receiver.
- July 26—It's announced that the Wolves deadline is four days away.
- July 27—Official Receiver offers a glimmer of hope by revealing that four different consortia are bidding for the club.
- July 28—A fifth consortium, headed by Derek Dougan, joins the Wolves fight.
- July 29—Walsall chairman Ken Wheldon, backed by millionaire Jack Hayward, emerges as the favourite to take over the club.
- July 30—Wolves are saved with just three minutes to go before the League deadline. The favourite falls at the post giving control to the group headed by former Wolves striker Derek Dougan.

WOLVES

Champagne celebration as Derek Dougan (centre) hands out the bubbly to delighted Wolves players following victory over Blackburn at Molineux on the opening day of the season. Wolves were back...



Andy Gray — hoping Wolves' transformation can bring him an international recall.

SCOTTISH striker Andy Gray is probably keener than anyone in the Wolves side to get back into the First Division.

Andy has seen his international career flounder during the last year and he has failed to add to his 14 caps.

But now with the Molineux club riding high at the top of the Second Division and favourites for promotion, he is hopeful of a recall to the Scotland squad.

"Playing in Division Two has obviously hampered my international career and while talk of a Scotland recall may be premature at the moment, if Wolves can win promotion I can hopefully get back in contention next season."

Andy has been pleased with his form this season although he had only scored seven goals up to the middle of this month.

"I am playing differently now and tend to create more chances than I did at Aston Villa, where I was simply a goalscorer," he says.

"Perhaps I don't score as many goals as I used to, but I'm more involved in the game now and really enjoying my football."

"I'm still not back to my best, but my form is improving all the time and I believe that when I am playing to my full capability, I'm as good as anyone in the country."

"I have always had confidence in my own ability and I think I'm good enough to play for Scotland. I wouldn't let them down if I was recalled."

'IF WE DON'T GO UP, WE ALL WANT SHOOTING' — ANDY GRAY

Helping Wolves to promotion is Andy's priority, however, and he declares: "If we don't go up we all want shooting."

"I am 27 now and don't want to spend another season in the Second Division. I want to play in the top flight again... preferably with Wolves."

Success under the new regime at Wolves has changed the views of many first team players who looked set to move when the club almost folded in the summer.

Andy explains: "At that time, nine out of ten would have moved, including myself."

"No-one could guarantee us our wages and the future was very insecure."

"The place was like a morgue at the time, there was no atmosphere and it seemed as though the club was dead and buried."

"But now Wolves is alive again and it's a great place to be."

BITE BACK!

THE once-famous mighty Wolves roar was little more than a whimper at the end of last season.

Relegated to the Second Division, the men from Molineux were in a disastrous financial situation and the club tottered on the brink of extinction.

But, at the eleventh hour, former Wolves hero Derek Dougan again came to the rescue... this time with much-needed cash instead of goals.

And now the club, which is steeped in the best football tradition, is threatening to return to Division One at the first attempt.

As manager Graham Hawkins explains, it's been a fairy-tale start to his managerial career. "I dreamed of winning promotion in my first season and, at the moment, that dream has a chance to become reality."

"But as I tell the players, dreams can sometimes turn into nightmares and we have got to make sure that doesn't happen at Wolves."

When he was appointed to the Molineux hot seat, Graham knew he was taking control of a "sleeping giant". But now that giant is wide awake and marching on towards the First Division.

A host of Second Division teams have been trampled under foot by a Wolves side hungry for success and unbeaten for the first ten games of the season.

"It was one hell of a start," says Graham. "I had only three and a

half weeks to sort out a system before the first game and we had a number of players out through suspension and injuries.

"But the young players who came in did a tremendous job."

Since then, the side has not looked back and as players' confidence has grown, so have the chances of promotion.

And with the added bonus of a money-spinning FA Cup tie away to European Champions Aston Villa to look forward to, the future couldn't look brighter.

Graham believes one of the main reasons for the dramatic change of fortune is that players are now enjoying life under the new regime at Molineux.

"The players know we expect them to work hard but we try to make training as enjoyable as possible," he says.

"We have a laugh and a joke at the club and everyone seems very happy. If players enjoy what they are doing, you get the best out of them."

Graham, who spent six years as a player at Molineux in the 1960's, has collected a wealth of advice from the managers he has worked under during his career as player, coach and assistant manager.

And, together with his assistant at Wolves, Jim Barron, he is passing that advice on to his own players.

One of the biggest influences on his career was former Wolves boss Stan Cullis. "He taught me all the right things in football... to be honest with yourself and other people and not to cheat," he says.

"And I have tried to instil that same philosophy. I can accept mistakes, but I can't accept

cheats."

Since he took over at Wolves, Graham has delved into the transfer market only twice... to buy a 'keeper John Burridge from Crystal Palace for £75,000 and defender Alan Dodd from Stoke for a bargain £40,000.

"They have proved to be two tremendous investments for us," says Graham. "John has had a super season and the number of clean sheets he has kept is amazing."

"And since we signed Alan Dodd, we haven't lost a game and we've conceded fewer goals. He has steadied things down at the back and has made young centre-half John Pender a better player."

Graham encourages his players to get forward as much as possible and that policy has paid dividends.

"We are scoring a lot of goals and I think the players enjoy the freedom. The crowd obviously appreciate the fact that we are playing attacking, attractive football," he says.

"The supporters have been tremendous and we hope to reward their loyalty with promotion to the First Division."

Wolves are favourites for the Second Division Championship and, after 24 games, were four points clear of nearest rivals Queen's Park Rangers.

But Graham realises success is by no means guaranteed. "We are delighted with the way the season has gone so far but, as I tell the players, we are only just over half-way through and there will be no parties until the job is done."

"A lot of credit must go to the players because they have been



Graham Hawkins — dreamed of winning promotion in his first season in charge.

realistic and know they must continue to work hard for the remaining games.

"Winning promotion — whether it's from the Fourth to the Third, or the Second to the First Division — is the most wonderful feeling... I just hope we experience that feeling at the end of the season."

'MOLINEUX IS ALIVE AGAIN' — KENNY HIBBITT

LONG-SERVING midfielder player Kenny Hibbitt almost turned his back on Molineux in the summer months when the club was on the verge of financial ruin.

After almost 15 years at Wolves — during which time he has made over 400 appearances — it seemed as though Kenny had pulled on the famous old gold shirt for the last time.

He told 'Match': "I went to play for Seattle Sounders in America at the end of last season and didn't want to come back to Wolves because I felt I didn't have a future here."

"I was looking for a new lease of life and wanted to move somewhere I would enjoy the last three or four years of my career — I didn't think I could do that at Wolves."

"I couldn't believe it when I discovered the club was bankrupt and I just wanted to get away and leave the problems behind."

"We went through such a bad time at Wolves last season when

we were relegated and the more senior players, like myself, tended to get the blame."

"I felt as though the crowd had seen enough of me and we both needed a change."

Towards the end of his three-month spell with Seattle — where he reached the Final of the Soccer Bowl — Kenny's future was still undecided.

"But then Derek Dougan rang me and explained that he had taken over at Wolves," says Kenny. "He told me it was a different club... 100 per cent better than when I left."

"At first I thought that was just a bit of sweet talk to get me back, but when I returned and walked in the ground everyone was smiling and I could tell the place was alive again."

"There had been such a transformation in the short time I

was away. You could smell success in the air and I was only too happy to stay."

Kenny had signed a one-year contract with Wolves before he went to America but, on his return, that was "ripped up" and he signed a new contract which will keep him at Molineux for two years.

"It was like signing for a new club," he says. "Things have gone really well for us so far this season... far better than I expected."

"It needed someone like Derek Dougan to put a smile back in the club — something which has been lacking over the last few years."

"Before, players didn't enjoy training and we were afraid of Saturdays — but now we look forward to them. And that's a feeling I haven't had for two or three years."



Kenny Hibbitt — "We used to be afraid of Saturdays."

KEEP ON RUNNING

THEY call former Manchester United star Alan Gowling 'the marathon man' at Preston.

The 34-year-old defender took up long-distance running in the summer after being released by Bolton. And now it's enabling him to make a vital contribution to Preston's Third Division relegation battle as a part-time player.

"I wanted to keep fit and, having run a half marathon during the season, I wanted to try for the big one in the summer," says the former Professional Footballers' Association chairman.

"There were several clubs who wanted me to continue in football when I left Bolton but I had made up my mind to quit and concentrate on building up a timber importing agency.

"Needless to say, there were a few people who were a bit annoyed

GOWLING PLAYS ON

with me when my old Newcastle boss Gordon Lee persuaded me to change my mind and join Preston.

"I really had made up my mind to quit and I don't think I would have changed it for anyone apart from Gordon and assistant manager Geoff Nulty.

"Having known both of them in my Newcastle days, I was prepared to listen to their offer."

The offer was a strange one to say the least. Alan only sees his team-mates on match days!

During the week he works as a representative for the timber business and trains alone every



Alan Gowling — Preston's marathon man.

night in a local park lit by street lamps.

"The only time I miss training is when I am playing for the reserves to help maintain match fitness," he explains.

"It's a situation I feel able to cope with. After all, I had to do all my training alone during my early days with Manchester United because I was at University. I could hardly leave my studies in the morning to pop along to Old Trafford."

Such a situation requires good understanding between player and management and that certainly seems to exist in Alan's case.

As Geoff Nulty explains: "Alan is doing a good job for us at the back and we're grateful for his services.

"If things weren't working out, we'd all realise it quickly enough."

The arrangement at Deepdale suits Alan perfectly. "I don't think it causes any ill-feeling among the full-time players," he says.

"My contract is, after all, adjusted to fit in with my part-time status, so they are probably better paid than I am anyway."

Alan plans to keep on running in his bid to help Preston preserve their Third Division status.

"Football training and marathon running don't necessarily go hand in hand," he says.

"But once the season is over, I hope I'll be getting back to the running and do a better time than 3 hours 27 minutes, which I achieved in last year's Bolton race."

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The GLENN HODDLE Column

The Spurs and England midfield maestro re-lives his ups and downs at home and on the pitch.

OH JOY!

WHAT a girl! I've never been so happy and proud as when our baby daughter Zoe Anne arrived in the world.

But oh boy! Spurs 4-1 Milk Cup defeat at the hands of Burnley six days later must go down as one of the worst moments of my career.

The contrast couldn't have been greater...

Zoe was born in the early hours of Friday, January 14 and while she made us wait — we'd been there since 7 o'clock the previous morning — it was well worthwhile.

In fact, the wait made it even better when the time came. It was fantastic and I admit I got quite emotional.

The birth was something I'll never forget. I was on a real high and it was without doubt the best moment of my life.

I'd been at Anne's side the whole time we were there, helping as much as I could and it was a great feeling when I finally got Zoe in my arms for the first time.

The staff at Harlow's Princess Alexandra maternity unit were marvellous. They even arranged a fry-up for me at 1 o'clock in the morning!

The name Zoe? Well, it's a name I've always liked. Had it been a boy, Anne would have picked the name.

As you can imagine, after going without sleep for so long, I was pretty tired so I was made substitute for Spurs' match at Luton on the following Saturday.

Relaxed

I got on for the last 20 minutes, however, and managed to get my first League goal of the season. I don't think I'd have managed a full game, however.

Despite my tiredness, I just felt so relaxed that everything had gone well at the hospital and our nine-month wait was over.

I'm sure it was on my mind subconsciously for the four weeks leading up to the birth and I'm equally sure it will help my game now it's all over.

I just hope I can score a few more goals now. Every one will be for Zoe... even though she kept us up until three in the morning on her first night at home!

So things couldn't have been better... until we met Burnley in the Quarter-Finals of the Milk Cup four days later.

We felt we had the game sewn up when we went 1-0 up just seconds into the second half but Burnley eventually ran out 4-1 winners and one Wembley dream was over.

It was just one of those nights. You can't plan for things like that. And you can imagine how Graham Roberts felt scoring two own goals.

The first came when he tried to head the ball out for a corner. Instead it flew into the top corner giving Ray Clemence no chance.

And his second (Burnley's third) came from a cross when Graham tried to block it. Instead it went in off his leg at the near post.

Northern Ireland's Billy Hamilton notched their other two but the last was the only one they could have been really satisfied with. They didn't create that many chances.

We had our chances. I hit the bar with a header.

The two faces of Glenn Hoddle. Right: So happy with wife Anne and baby daughter Zoe. Below: So disappointed after Tottenham's 4-1 Milk Cup Quarter-Final defeat at the hands of Second Division Burnley.



OH BOY!



Graham Roberts had one stopped on the line and Steve Archibald had one stopped by the 'keeper's legs.

Perhaps we were a little too anxious to increase our lead after Terry Gibson had put us ahead because we had been very patient up to then.

But all credit to Burnley. They battled and played very well. Once in the lead, they looked a much better side, especially in the last 20 minutes.

That's football. All you can do is wish Burnley all the best... and it looks as though they might need it having drawn Liverpool in the Semi-Finals.

I fancy Liverpool to win the Milk Cup but Burnley have nothing to lose. They can go into their matches against the League Champions with a bit of a smile on their faces.

For our own part, we face the next step in our defence of the FA Cup when we take on West Brom

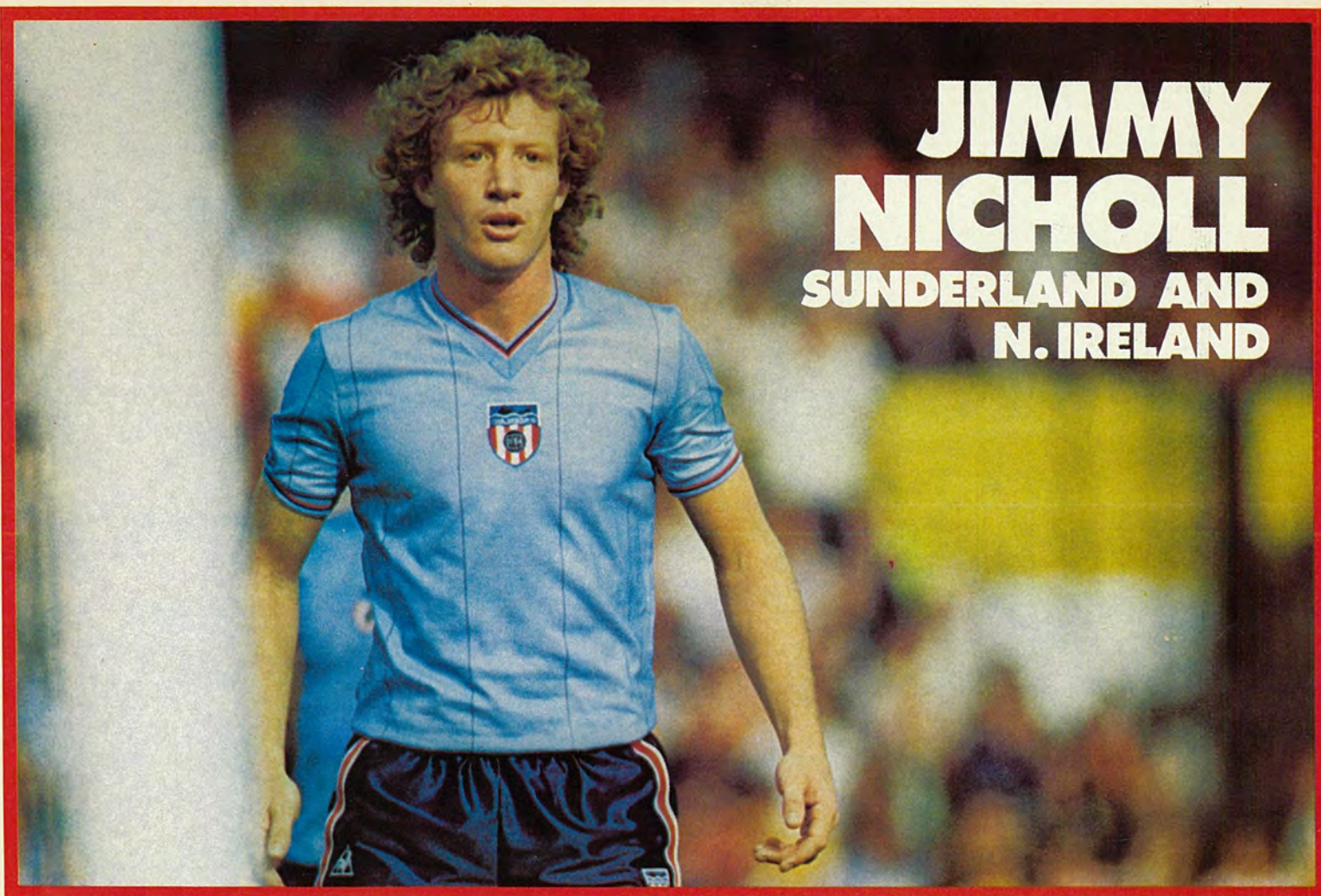
at home on Saturday... and we are doubly determined to retain the trophy now.

● Glenn Hoddle was talking to Paul Stratton.

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MY breakthrough at Celtic came in 1973. It also proved to be a heartbreak year.

In nine action-packed months, I picked up my first League Championship medal and full Scottish cap, but suffered the dreadful disappointment of being beaten in both major cup finals . . . and losing to England at Wembley.

All in all, it was quite a season considering that just a few months before, I was worrying whether I'd ever play again after fracturing my skull.

After establishing myself in the side, the first set-back came in the League Cup Final.

We were red-hot favourites to beat Hibernian at Hampden Park because we'd walloped them 6-1 in the Scottish Cup Final the year before, but Hibs were bent on revenge and built up a two-goal lead.

We never stopped fighting and Kenny Dalglish gave us hope with a goal 13 minutes from time, but it wasn't enough and we couldn't improve on it.

I felt sick and miserable when the whistle went. All week I'd dreamed of our skipper Billy McNeill holding aloft the League Cup. Instead it was their captain Pat Stanton taking the acclaim.

The result really put us out of our stride in the League because after building up a fairly commanding lead, we began to struggle — only finishing one point ahead of arch rivals Rangers.

And it was to be our Glasgow neighbours who would deny us the double — beating us 3-2 in the FA Cup Final even though Kenny Dalglish — that man again — had hammered home a great early goal.

After being disallowed what I thought was a perfectly good goal, Rangers got the flukiest I've ever seen land a major trophy.

There was still 30 minutes left when Derek Johnstone's header beat our goalkeeper and went bouncing along the goal-line. Typical of our luck, there was no Celtic player at the far post and the ball bounced back for Tom Forsyth to stab home the winner.

Once again I was a loser at Hampden. But I wasn't given much time to feel sorry for myself because I was called up for the Home International Championships by Scotland manager Willie Ormond.

I was surprised to be included in the opening game against Wales at Wrexham although I reckon the manager remembered how I'd snuffed out 'Welsh wonder boy' Leighton James once in an Under-23 encounter.

Leighton, who's just moved to Sunderland from Swansea, is one of those professionals I can't stand in football. He's always yapping about what he's going to do to you.

He was always ready with an ankle tap, but red faced with rage if you went in hard on him. Usually his taunts made me even more determined to do well against him and we enjoyed some pretty competitive encounters.

I've never been a great Tommy Docherty fan — for some reason he never picked me for any of his Scotland teams — but we saw eye to eye over Leighton. As soon as 'The Doc' took over at Derby he couldn't get rid of Leighton quickly enough.

The Welsh match gave me a lot of pleasure. Not only was it a 2-0 winning debut, I also got excellent reviews from the critics. They raved over my full-back partnership with former Manchester City star Willie Donachie, who's now with Burnley.

Of course we both retained our places for the next match against Northern Ireland, but my Hampden Park luck fell true to form and we were surprisingly beaten 2-1.

The Scotland team trooped off the pitch to whistles and boos from the fans, but that second international taught me one important lesson . . . Scotland are usually at their worst against lesser opposition. We proved that in the 1974 World Cup Finals against Zaire and last summer against New Zealand.

I must admit I was glad to see the back of Hampden Park after the defeat. It hadn't been

THE PLAYER I CAN'T STAND

a happy hunting ground for Celtic or myself that year.

I wondered whether the manager would include me for the next game . . . the big one against England at Wembley. He did and I can remember the tremendous atmosphere that day. One hundred thousand fans were packed

MY STORY by Danny McGrain

CELTIC skipper Danny McGrain continues his fascinating life-story, only in 'Match'. One of the game's most respected players and greatest characters, he tells of his big breakthrough . . . and the personal heartbreak that came with it.



into the ground and everyone seemed to be Scottish!

My chest filled with pride that afternoon as I lined up against such household names as Bobby Moore, Alan Ball and Martin Peters.

My Wembley debut proved to be a tremendous match but, despite furious assaults on Peter Shilton's goal, the English managed to keep us at bay.

In the first half, Peter made a fantastic twisting save to tip away a Kenny Dalglish effort and then he brilliantly beat out a Billy Bremner blockbuster.

England luckily collected the points when Alan Ball swept a cross over the defence and Martin Peters ghosted in to get the only goal of the game.

We ran ourselves stupid after that trying to get the equaliser, but Peter Shilton was magnificent. He proved to me that day that he is the best 'keeper in England. I've seen nothing from Ray Clemence to make me change my mind.

That day, a young striker made his debut for Scotland — Joe Jordan. 'Big Joe' came on for Lou Macari late in the second half and showed tremendous potential. He was to become a permanent fixture for years to come.

Even though the Home Internationals weren't a success for Scotland, Willie Ormond was building up a successful side and everything was looking rosy for our 1974 World Cup campaign.

All of Scotland began to look forward to the country qualifying for the Finals in West Germany and Celtic began the 1973-74 season in great heart and determined to have a go at the treble — last achieved back in 1967.

But once again our League Cup jinx was first to strike us down and we were beaten 1-0 in the Final by Dundee.

The League once again turned into a two-horse race between ourselves and Rangers, but the most pleasing thing about the season was that I established myself as Scotland's regular right-back.

And I also played in the game against Czechoslovakia which clinched our place in the World Cup Finals. We beat the Czechs 2-1 with goals from Jim Holton and Joe Jordan.

We won the League title for the ninth year running and then rounded off the season with a 3-0 victory over Dundee United for my first ever Scottish FA Cup winners medal. It was a great feeling to finally become a winner at Hampden. Fortunately, it was a feeling I was to experience a few times more.

After the Cup win, World Cup fever reached a crescendo. Scotland were Britain's only representatives in the competition and we were determined to do ourselves proud.

My first World Cup was a memory I'll cherish forever . . . but I'll tell you more next week.

● Danny McGrain was taking to Anthony Hawkswell.

BIRMINGHAM midfielder Kevin Dillon is haunted by the secret fear that his days at St Andrews are numbered.

Twenty-three-year-old Kevin, the longest serving player at the club, says: "I'm sure the manager would sell me if he could. He's been trying for some time now. In fact he gave my name to Newcastle not so long ago as a transfer possibility."

"The deal was a swap with Chris Waddle plus £100,000. At the time, the manager wanted a winger to cross the ball for strikers Mick Harford and Mick Ferguson."

"The move only fell through because the club couldn't come up with the money after signing Kevin Keegan, Terry McDermott and David McCreery."

"I haven't asked for a transfer. I'm happy at the club and want to stay here. I think we are going places with Ron Saunders. He's a good manager. But I'm uncertain as to what will happen."

"I was going to move house about 12 months ago but decided against. I wouldn't buy another house in Birmingham now. It would be a waste of time."

Kevin, who made his debut for the club against Leicester in 1977, still has one and a half years of a three-year contract to run.

He's been a regular in the side since Ron Saunders joined the club at the back end of last season and he says: "I'm happy with the way I'm playing but I don't think the

DILLON'S DILEMMA

I FEAR MY DAYS WITH BIRMINGHAM ARE NUMBERED

boss is. He keeps getting on to me about something after every game. When that happens, ideas pop into your head.

"Ron Saunders is never happy with the way the team plays. He always tries to get it perfect, which you can never do in football."

"Maybe he's just trying to keep me on my toes. He might think I'm the casual type, which a lot of people do."

"After our 3-0 victory over arch rivals Aston Villa, Tony Barton was talking about his team having all the skill in the world. But skill alone doesn't win matches as Ron Saunders pointed out."

"At Birmingham, some players are more skilful than others. I think he wants the skilful players to

work harder and that's what he's trying to drum into us."

"With me, he knows that I'm skilful enough to pass the ball, but he's working on the other parts of my game such as heading and tackling, picking up and defending. He gets on to me every day about that."

"I think he wants to transform me into an all-rounder and a lot of people have said that he did the same thing with Dennis Mortimer, because he was a bit like me when he first went to Aston Villa."

"Ron Saunders turned him into a player on the verge of an international career because he worked him hard on his defensive play."

"It's a lot different at St Andrews these days. We've got to do as we're told. Ron Saunders knows exactly what he wants and nobody else will tell him otherwise."

"He's running the club. The chairman's not running it and that's the way it should be."

"He's not as tough as some people think and he's not that bad a person. He's popular with the fans and he'll give time to anybody."

"He's got a lot of time for the supporters. If somebody comes up to him and speaks to him, then he'll speak back."

"He's a winner. I mean, take all that boardroom hassle with Doug Ellis at Aston Villa a couple of years ago. He won then, so he must have some pull."

"He's used the same system with every club he's been at. It's a bit like Watford really — get the ball into the box as quickly as possible."

"It's more professional and the way we are training and the way the manager is, you wouldn't think that we are languishing at the bottom of the table."

Kevin believes that the great escape act is definitely on.

"On paper, we've got a formidable looking side, especially when we are at full strength," he says.

"Defensively Noel Blake has proved a revelation. I think he's been our best player so far this season."

"We need to win and three

victories on the trot could see Birmingham leaping up the table. Southampton have had a decent run and they've pulled away."

"We're certainly playing better than people give us credit for and we're creating plenty of chances."

"The midfield is settled after a lot of chopping and changing by the manager, in his search for the right blend."

"There are only three of us now — Kevan Broadhurst, Alan Curbishley and myself. Ian Handysides is playing just in front of the midfield and just behind the two front runners. He's picking up the full backs when they come forward and he's doing all the running."

"Ian is on the list and I don't think all that many managers realise the fact. He'd be a bargain for any team because he really is playing well."

"In goal, Tony Coton is superb. He's working hard in training. I feel sure if we were a bit more successful, then he'd get a chance in the England Under-21's or the 'B' team. I think he's a better keeper than Gary Bailey."

"I want to be part of the plans and I can't emphasise that fact enough. I believe that Birmingham City are well on the way to becoming a team of the future."



Kevin Dillon — uncertain about his future.

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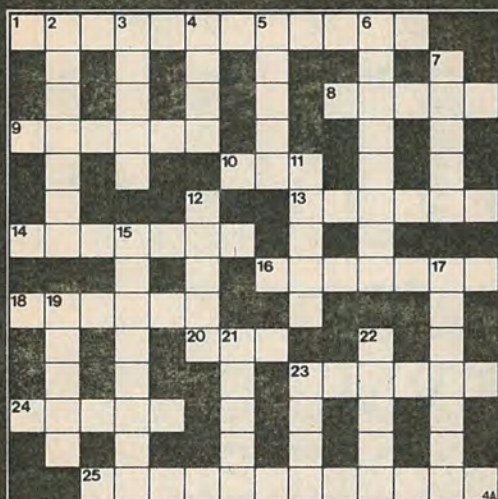
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ACROSS

1. Stirling Albion are the club based at this ground (8,4)
8. Siddall, say (5)
9. Hull City's nickname (6)
10. — Bradd kicked off the New Year in Bristol Rovers' colours (3)
- 14 & 13. This club has had only four managers in the last fifty years! (4,3,6)
16. The bird on Brighton's badge (7)
18. A team which doesn't do this is not very likely to score! (6)

- 20 & 19. down. The score by which Huddersfield beat Bradford City and Queen of the South beat Stranraer in the two highest-scoring games on New Year's Day (3-5)
23. Clubs always like to have big ones (7)
24. At Christmas — Ellis scored his first League goal for Portsmouth after having played over 200 games for the club! (5)
25. The halfway-line cuts it in half (6-6)

DOWN

2. If Southall is his surname what could his christian name be? (7)
3. A long-serving Oxford forward whose name rhymes with 'goalie' (5)
4. He was top scorer for Wolves last season (4)
5. He made the move from Stoke to Bolton in January 1982 (5)
6. 'It groans' (anagram) — it's what a winger is said to have given a full-back when he has run rings around him all through the match (8)
7. The club which began 1983 as the bottom club in the Football League (5)
11. 'Peru's' (anagram) — a sort of cup... but Peru don't compete for it (5)
12. Defenders (5)
15. This club was founded in 1883 and is due to reach its 100th birthday in April (8)
17. Old Liverpool favourite who scored over 200 goals for the club (7)
19. See 20 across
21. Italian club featuring in this season's European Cup-Winners' Cup (5)
22. Kenyon, could be (5)
23. — Bates has played over 300 League games, the majority of them in two spells with Shrewsbury (4)

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TOP TEN QUIZ

ANSWER the following ten questions and then look at the score chart below to see how you fared.

1. Which club does Gary Mabbutt's brother, Kevin, play for?
2. Who was the leading scorer in the First Division last season? (League goals only)
3. Name the former Southampton and England star who has been hitting the headlines with Norwich?
4. How many goals did Liverpool striker Ian Rush score in the Merseyside derby against Everton in November?
5. Which club is nicknamed the 'Owls'?
6. Who are the new World Club Champions?
7. Which Italian club side do Liam Brady and Trevor Francis play for?
8. Where do Stockport County play their home games?
9. They are known as the 'Hornets', who are they?
10. Which player has made the short trip across the River Trent from Forest to County this season?

10 points — you know your stuff.

6-8 — good.

4-6 — average.

Below 4 — keep reading 'Match Weekly'.

RIDDLE TIME

I STARTED my career with Sunderland and made my debut on Boxing Day 1968. I was a member of the side that beat Leeds United in the 1973 FA Cup Final before moving onto a top Lancashire club in 1974. I had a two-year spell in America playing for New York Cosmos before returning to the club where I scored a spectacular free-kick goal against Swansea this season. Look out in next week's issue for the identity of our mystery star.

The answer to last week's 'Riddle Time' was: Gary Shelton of Sheffield Wednesday.

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STOP THE ACTION

LEICESTER City midfielder Ian Wilson (below) seems to be worshipping Spurs' striker Garth Crooks in this picture taken last April — but what really happened to make Ian sink to his knees and hold his head in horror? Can you also remember what game it was, where it was played, and the score?



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A WEEK'S COACHING WITH BOB WILSON

Right: A young 'keeper gets some expert tuition from Bob Wilson, closely watched by other students and the two men currently fighting for the Arsenal number one jersey, George Wood (left) and Pat Jennings.



Name

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MATCH 'EM UP

- ★ 1. Coventry City Upton Park
- ★ 2. Brighton Vetch Field
- ★ 3. Stoke City St Andrews
- ★ 4. Swansea Highfield Road
- ★ 5. West Ham Goldstone Ground
- ★ 6. Birmingham Victoria Ground

DO YOU REMEMBER?

1. Tottenham — **Newport.**
2. Manchester Utd — **Southampton.**
3. Wolves — **Blackburn.**
4. Everton — **Tranmere.**
5. Liverpool — **Bishops Stortford.**
6. Middlesbrough — **West Ham.**

SOLUTIONS

played at Villa Park and Spurs won.
 DO YOU REMEMBER: 1.
 Southampton, 2. West Ham, 3.
 Tranmere, 4. Newport, 5. Blackburn, 6.
 Bishop's Cleeve.
 MATCH EM UP: 1. Highfield Road, 2.
 The Goldstone Ground, 3. Victoria
 Ground, 4. Vetch field, 5. Upton Park;
 ST. Andrews.
 TOP TEN QUIZ: 1. Crystal Palace, 2.
 (Kevin Keegan [26 for Southampton]), 3.
 Mike Channon, 4. Four, 5. Sheffield
 Wednesday, 6. General (Uruguay), 7.
 Sampdoria, 8. Edgely Park, 9.
 Wampford, 10. Justin Fashanu.
 Socceroo solution:
 Across: 1. Anfield Park, 8. Barry, 9.
 Tigers, 10. Les, 14 & 13. West Ham
 United, 16. Seagull, 18. Attack, 20 & 19
 down, six-three, 23. crows, 24. Peter,
 25. centre circle.
 Down: 2. Newcastle, 3. Foley, 4. Eves, 5.
 Doyle, 6. roasting, 7. Crows, 11. Super,
 12. backs, 15. Tranmere, 17. Liddell, 19.
 Chic. See 20 across, 21. Inter, 22. Roger, 23.



FURPHY'S America is a fascinating and often funny look at soccer Stateside through the eyes of former Sheffield United and Watford manager Ken Furphy.

In his time across the Atlantic, Ken worked with such famous names as Pele, Johan Cruyff, Trevor Francis, George Best and former England skipper Bobby Moore.

And now, back in England, he's telling all about the ups and downs — exclusive to 'Match'.

TELEVISION cameras whirled as George Best relayed how much he was looking forward to the game that evening. By four o'clock he had done a bunk . . .

The first time I saw George in action in America was when Cosmos faced Los Angeles Aztecs in Phoenix.

The prospect of Pele and George on the same field meant for keen anticipation and over 16,000 turned out for the first ever pro soccer game in Arizona on a gloriously sunny evening.

George began brilliantly and far outshone Pele in the early stages, but with Irishman Dave Clements (formerly with Everton) gradually getting a grip, George faded from the picture and it was Pele who caught the eye.

On the face of it, a 0-0 draw was a fair result with honours even between the two players.

I did notice that it was George who walked away holding one of Pele's shirts — the Brazil star always wore two and both were given way at the end of a match.

Over the next couple of seasons, all kinds of rumours were circulating about George not turning up for training sessions and matches — so much so that one did not know what to believe.

Little did I know that I was to experience one of George's sudden impulses to run . . .

By now I was head coach at Detroit Express and, with the club desperately short of money, we needed to arrange a close season tour.

It was impossible without a star name and, at the suggestion of chief executive John Camkin, we approached George who was then with Fort Lauderdale.

A deal was soon struck with George getting five thousand dollars for the two-week trip — plus his two weeks' wages.

Such was his appeal to world soccer fans that we soon had a tour fixed up — three warm-up games in Austria for ten thousand dollars, followed by two games in Kuwait for twenty thousand dollars.

The whole tour's profit was based on the Kuwait end of the tour so, in order to cement that part, we also arranged for Bobby Moore to travel out to England and play in those two games. How fortunate that decision turned out to be.



George Best — as elegant as only he can be.

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BEST DOES A BUNK!

Our flight from Detroit took us to New York where we met up with George. He was unshaven and wearing jeans — two items that we did not allow at Detroit!

But deciding it was not enough to risk a confrontation over and knowing he was not our player, I took no action. It was just as well because on arrival in Austria he shaved and changed and was as smart and elegant as only George Best can be.

His popularity was immense. He was in great demand and he charmed everyone he came into contact with — none more so than the players and myself.

He had a fund of stories and anecdotes which kept the players spellbound and some of his table tricks with coins and glasses were impossible to emulate.

He certainly seemed to be enjoying himself and, after two victories, any thoughts that he was going to let us down had disappeared from my mind.

Just in case, one of the players, who was a personal friend of George, had held on to his passport!

George missed training one afternoon and it took a combined four hours search to locate him sitting quietly in a bar minding his own business . . . but worse was to come.

Our opponents, Salzburg were a First Division team and we were keen to make it a hat-trick of wins.

So, despite a heavy downpour on the morning of the game, we went through a training session and, with George doing a television interview saying how much he was looking forward to the game, we returned to the hotel for lunch.

All the players went to bed to rest with a four o'clock call for tea.

No George. Everybody there but George. He had taken his passport from his pal's bag and disappeared into the mist. We were not sure what had happened so we notified the police just in case but I later learned, at the airport, that George had indeed flown the coop.

That evening we were roundly booed for his absence. Fans demanded their money back and at first we were refused our fee of five thousand dollars. Due to the friendship between our travel organiser and the club, we eventually got paid and boarded the plane for Kuwait.

I had collected most of George's clothes but such was his appeal that several players had taken items and I had to have a sort-out before I got them all.

I was later to post them to him but he never acknowledged getting them.

The absence of George at the Kuwait airport almost had us back on the plane. They just would not believe what we were telling them and how fortunate it was when Bobby Moore turned up a few hours later.

It took many hours of negotiations before the games went ahead and we had to accept only fifteen thousand dollars.

I was to bump into George several more times in the next two years but I still do not know to this day why he did a bunk . . .



WILL this be Ipswich's year for the FA Cup?

There's certainly not a side more determined to reach Wembley than ourselves in view of our mediocre season to date.

Early exits from the UEFA and Milk Cups have made it imperative from the financial angle for us to qualify for Europe next season.

And, at the moment, FA Cup glory is the most realistic avenue open to us to achieve European qualification for the tenth time in the past eleven years.

We are still in the reckoning for a place in the top six despite three successive defeats around Christmas, but in the Cup we are, in effect, just five wins away from glory and a tilt at next season's European Cup Winners' Cup.

Our fans constantly remind us that the last time we fell below our usual high standards in the First Division, we stood proud at Wembley with the Cup after a 1-0 victory over Arsenal.

That was in 1978 when we finished in the bottom half of the table, so we are keeping our fingers crossed that lightning might strike twice!

We're certainly enjoying a little bit of luck with the draw even though we had a fright at Second Division Charlton in the last round when we found ourselves two goals down early on.

Advantage

Now we have Division Two opposition again in the shape of Grimsby this weekend, but this time we have ground advantage, which is important in Cup football.

But I'm expecting an even tougher time against my namesakes, the 'Mariners', despite the problems Charlton presented us in the first half of our last tie.

I know it's easy to talk in hindsight after you have scrambled a 3-2 victory in the very last minute, but at no stage against Charlton could I see us going out of the competition.

Despite two glaring defensive clangers, I felt that we could save ourselves providing we scored before the break.

As it turned out, we went in level with goals from Frans Thijssen and John Wark, and we were confident in the second half that we wouldn't slip up again.

Now we face Grimsby who are enjoying more success in the Second Division than Charlton, and it means a return to Portman Road of my old striking buddy Trevor Whymark.

We scored around seventy goals between us in three seasons when Trevor, now Grimsby's player-coach,

IT'S

MARINER MARINERS GRIMSBY STAND IN OUR FA CUP PATH

operated as the target man, and many people reckoned that we were Ipswich Town's best striking pair.

We have maintained our friendship since that time and we shall be having a family get-together after the tie on Saturday.

In fact, I'm godfather to Trevor's youngest son, and I'm looking forward to meeting up with him again.

I just hope that it will be me wearing the smiles.

I know Trevor will be keen to remind the Ipswich fans of his prowess, particularly in the air.

When he was in the First Division, I rated him as one of the best headers of a ball.

I don't know much about the Grimsby side, although I came across skipper Joe Waters in his Leicester days, and I gather he is their driving force in midfield.

And young Kevin Drinkell, the Second Division's top scorer, has been the subject of plenty of inquiries from top clubs, so he will be keen to impress.

Apart from the importance of the Grimsby tie, we face a testing period with games against Liverpool and Manchester United coming up in successive Saturdays.

We showed signs of getting back to our best form by taking seven points from our three matches prior to the visit to Stoke last weekend.

There's no doubt we have been missing the experience and flair of full-back George Burley, who offers so much to the side as a defender and attacker.

And the games against Liverpool and United will provide a stern test to the younger players in the side.

It looks pretty certain now that Liverpool won't slip up in the title race, but it's important that we continue to pick up points in our quest for a money-spinning place in the top six.

It was to boost funds that we made a dash to Algeria last week for a friendly against their World Cup team.

It was simply a question of flying into Algeria on the Sunday, playing on the Monday, and then returning home on Tuesday.

There were around 40,000 people in the stadium to watch us draw 1-1 with an Algerian national side.

John Wark scored our equaliser and we were quite pleased with the outcome considering they had recently defeated teams like Real Madrid and Borussia Moenchengladbach.

It wasn't their strongest side because several of the team who were involved in that World Cup shock win over West Germany play in other countries, mainly France.

But, nevertheless, they were a very skilful side and we did well to contain them.

● Paul Mariner was talking to Melvyn Beck.

Below: Trevor Whymark... striking partner turned Cup rival.



THE PAUL MARINER COLUMN



FOOTBALL CRAZY

by MITCH



"For the last time — who's got the fixture list!"

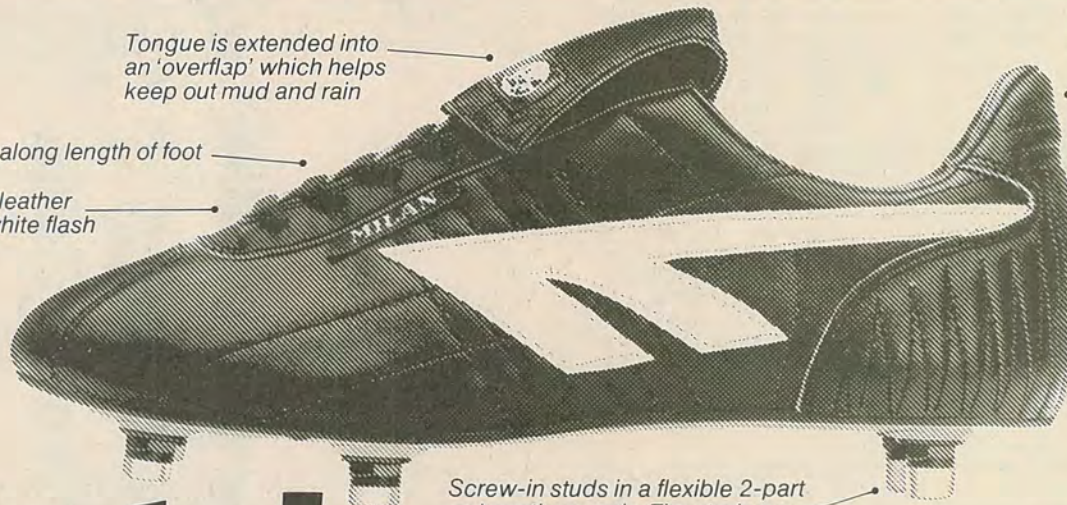
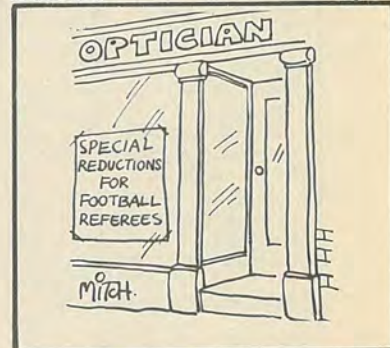


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LUTON'S KIRK STEPHENS COMPLAINS

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BLOGGS

WANT-AWAY Luton right-back Kirk Stephens goes into FA Cup battle against Manchester United on Saturday claiming: "I'm no better thought of here than Joe Bloggs!"

The brilliant 27-year-old slapped in a transfer request when he was dropped following a 1-0 defeat at West Brom back in October.

And he says: "I'm unhappy at the club. There are things going on that I don't agree with and they are not going to change them just for me. I feel that it's in the best interests of the club and myself that I leave."

Kirk insists that his discontent does not lie at the hands of David Pleat, the manager who signed him four and a half years ago from non-League Nuneaton Borough.

"It's nothing to do with the playing side," he says. "Basically it's money and a lot of cumulative little things. At Kenilworth Road, the players seem to come second all the time."

"Perhaps I shouldn't let myself get worked up about it, perhaps I should turn a blind eye. But, when we appear to be overlooked, there comes a time when you say to yourself, I'm leaving. Why should I stay when they don't seem to take my off the pitch interests into consideration?"

"At the end of the day, I think to myself that I'm no better thought of here than Joe Bloggs."

Following Luton's defeat at West Brom, Kirk, was left out of the team for the next three games — against Charlton, Nottm Forest and Arsenal. He has kept his first team place ever since but says:

"I was really looking forward to the beginning of the season because it was my first ever in the First Division. But when I was left out of the side, things just came to a head."

"I thought the time was right to move on then. But, looking back, perhaps the time was right earlier on."

Kirk, who asked for a transfer at the beginning of the season before last but was persuaded to stay by manager David Pleat, adds: "The boss never gave me an explanation as to why he dropped me, but obviously he must have blamed me for that Albion defeat."

"When I put my transfer request in he didn't say that I was on the list. He told me that if he could get the right offer for me, then I could go."

"But that applies to most of the players at the club. Everybody's got a price."

"As far as I know, there haven't been any offers. 'The manager says that the transfer market is really quiet. There's just no money in the game."

"I've simply got to keep playing to the best of my ability and hope somebody — preferably a Midlands club — comes in."

Kirk, born in Coventry, and with 18 months to run on his contract, was firmly linked with Aston Villa a couple of years ago. Since then, speculation has always been rife that he would one day join a top Midlands club.

Meanwhile, Kirk believes that he has been playing the best football of his career, especially over the past twelve months.

"I'm fully fit and I'm really settling down to First Division football. I'm really enjoying playing in the top flight and I think my form is better now than it's ever been."

"I get on great with the fans at Kenilworth Road. I've a fabulous rapport with them."

"When I was left out of the side, from what I've been told, the fans were chanting that they wanted me back. It happened every time the team ran out onto the pitch."

"When I eventually returned, they gave me a tremendous reception, so I was obviously

missed."

"During my absence, young Mitchell Thomas filled the right-back berth and, in recent weeks, there has been a lot of chopping and changing."

"But the manager doesn't directly criticise individual players. He criticises the whole team defensively for letting in so many goals."

"Our style of football is to attack, however, and the boss hopes that, at the end of the day, we will score more goals than we concede."

"At the same time, I think the manager is looking for extra bite, commitment and steel. He doesn't count players getting off the team bus anymore. He counts hearts."

Above: Kirk Stephens — "It's in the best interests of the club and myself if I move on."

"I don't think I've ever let him down though. I enjoy the game too much to give anything less than my all."

Looking forward, Kirk eagerly awaits the FA Cup Fourth Round clash with Manchester United at Kenilworth Road on Saturday.

"We were over the moon when we heard the draw. We've got nothing to lose and everything to gain."

"No predictions — we're just going out to enjoy it. We're at home, it's a one-off and anything can happen."



NOTTS



COUNTY



BACK ROW (left to right)
— Pedro Richards, Trevor Christie, Mick Leonard, Raddy Avramovic, David Hunt, Tristan Benjamin, Ray O'Brien.
MIDDLE ROW — Jack Wheeler (trainer), Paul Hooks, Nigel Worthington, Aki Lahtinen, Brian Kilcline, Rachid Harkouk, Gary Woods, Michael Walker (coach), Howard Wilkinson (team manager).
FRONT ROW — Iain McCulloch, Paul Manns, Gordon Mair, Jimmy Sirrel (general manager), Ian McParland, John Chiedozie, Mark Goodwin.
INSET: Justin Fashanu.

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WEEKLY

STAR CHALLENGE

VINCE HILAIRE IS THIS WEEK'S STAR GUEST...

CRYSTAL Palace star Vince Hilaire believes the FA Cup Fourth Round could produce a wealth of shock results on Saturday.

Spurs are in search of a hat-trick of FA Cup triumphs and look to be favourites to over-power West Brom at White Hart Lane.

But Vince believes the

Midlands side could have a surprise in store for Keith Burkinshaw's men. "I fancy them to do well against Spurs and possibly go on and win the Cup," he says.

"West Brom have come so close to getting to Wembley in recent seasons that I think they will be more determined to get there this year."

Another surprise could be in store for Graham Taylor's Watford when they take on

FIXTURES

Saturday, January 29
FA CUP, FOURTH ROUND

Arsenal v Leeds
Aston Villa v Wolves
Brighton v Man. City
Burnley v Swindon
Cambridge v Barnsley
Coventry v Norwich
C Palace v Birmingham
Derby v Chelsea
Ipswich v Grimsby
Liverpool v Stoke
Luton v Man. Utd
Middlesboro v Notts Co.
*Torquay v Sheff. W/Southend
Tottenham v West Brom
Watford v Fulham

DIVISION TWO

Rotherham v Oldham

DIVISION THREE

Bristol R. v Chesterfield
Exeter v Cardiff
Newport v Bradford
Orient v Plymouth
Oxford v Preston
Reading v Lincoln
Sheff. Utd v Bournemouth
*Southend v Brentford
Walsall v Huddersfield
Wigan v Doncaster
Wrexham v Portsmouth

DIVISION FOUR

Blackpool v Chester
Crewe v Bury
Hereford v Darlington

Hull v Stockport
Northampton v Hartlepool
Peterborough v Aldershot
Port Vale v Mansfield
Rochdale v Colchester
Scunthorpe v Wimbledon
Tranmere v York
* Southend's League game depends on outcome of Cup replay against Sheffield Wednesday.

SCOTTISH CUP THIRD ROUND

Alloa v Morton
Ayr v Albion
Clyde v Motherwell
Clydebank v Celtic
Dumbarton v Airdrie
Dundee v Brora
Dunfermline v Elgin
East Fife v Raith
Falkirk v Rangers
Forfar v Berwick
Hamilton v St Johnstone
Hibernian v Aberdeen
Partick v Kilmarnock
Queen's Park v Stenhousemuir
Queen of the Sth v Hearts
St Mirren v Dundee Utd

SCOTTISH SECOND DIVISION

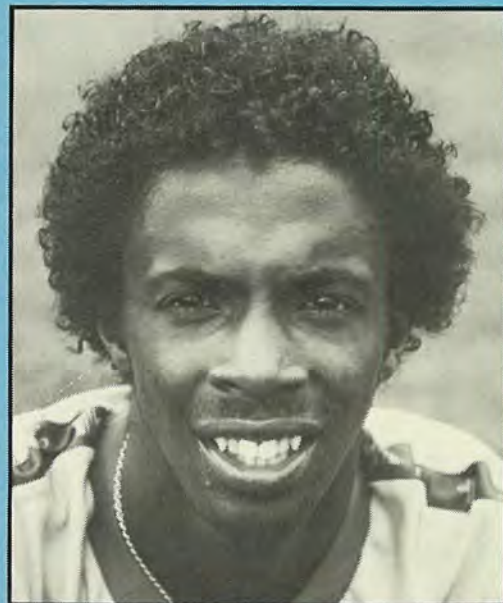
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Stirling v Stranraer

SUNDAY, JANUARY 30

FA CUP, FOURTH ROUND

Everton v Shrewsbury
DIVISION THREE
Millwall v Gillingham

'Match' reader Mark Whittaker of Slough (below) and his star challenger Crystal Palace's Vince Hilaire (right).



high-riding Second Division Fulham at Vicarage Road.

Says Vince: "I think Malcolm MacDonald's side play the type of game which could upset Watford's long-ball tactics."

"When we played Fulham earlier in the season, we tried the long-ball game against them but they just soaked it all up and hit us on the break."

"They like to play everything on the ground and their midfield is very inventive," says Vince. "And with Dean Coney and Gordon Davies up front, they have potential match-winners."

And European Champions Aston Villa could also be making an early exit from the FA Cup when they entertain rejuvenated Wolves.

Says Vince: "Wolves are a good side with a lot of character — they showed that when they came from 2-0 behind to beat us 4-3 at Selhurst Park," he says. "Alan Dodd is doing really well at

Molineux and, in Kenny Hibbitt, Wolves have the player of the season."

The black Palace player, who will be engaged in FA Cup action himself when his side take on first Division Birmingham, is the man in the 'Star Challenge' hot seat this week.

He has been challenged by 17-year-old Mark Whittaker, a Palace supporter from Slough in Berkshire.

The name of the game is forecasting results and Vince will be trying to predict more correct scorelines than Mark.

We have selected ten games from the FA Cup Fourth Round and points will be awarded according to the accuracy of the forecast. If Mark scores more points than Vince, he will win a special 'Star Challenge' certificate.

But even if he loses, he still receives an autographed picture of the Palace star.

Here are the ten selected matches for this week, together with the predictions of a lucky 'Match' reader and his famous opponent. There's a space for you to fill in your predictions and a column for

the actual result. Award two points for every correct score and one point if the result is correct (i.e. home win, away win, draw), but the scoreline is wrong.

	Mark's forecast	Vince's forecast	Your forecast	Result
Arsenal v Leeds	2-1	2-0		
Aston Villa v Wolves	2-1	0-0		
Burnley v Swindon	0-3	2-0		
Cambridge v Barnsley	0-2	1-2		
Everton v Shrewsbury	1-2	3-1		
Ipswich v Grimsby	2-2	2-1		
Luton v Man. Utd	1-2	1-2		
Middlesboro v Notts Co.	1-2	0-0		
Spurs v West Brom	2-2	1-1		
Watford v Fulham	2-1	0-2		

MATCH FACTS MATCH FACTS

Sunday, Jan. 16

Division Four

SCUNTHORPE (1) 3 (Hunter 7, Cowling 53, Parkinson 79)
HARTLEPOOL (0) 0
 Att: 4,261
 Scunthorpe: Neenan 6, Oates 6, Pointon 6, Fowler 6 (sub, Telfer 6), Boxall 6, Hunter 7, O'Berg 6, Cammack 7, Cowling 6, Angus 6.
 ***PARKINSON 8**.
 Hartlepool: Blackburn 6, Smithies 6, Barker 6, ***HOGAN 8**, Bird 7, Linighan 7, Staff 6, Lawrence 6, Stalker 5 (sub, Dobson 6), Brown 6, Johnson 7.
 Referee: T. Jones (Macclesfield)
 Match Rating: ★★

Monday, Jan. 17

SCOTTISH

Scottish Cup, Second Round, Second Replay

BRORA RANGERS (0) 5 (Gunn 49, 107, McAskill 95, Allen 113, Mackay 115)
MONTROSE (1) 2 (Copland 8, McManus 95)
 After Extra Time
 Att: 941 (played at Kingsmills, Inverness)

Tuesday, Jan. 18

Milk Cup, Quarter Finals

ARSENAL (0) 1 (Woodcock 69)
SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (0) 0
 Att: 30,937
 Arsenal: Jennings 6, Hollins 6, Sansom 6, Nicholas 6, O'Leary 6, Robson 6, Davis 6, Sunderland 5. ***PETROVIC 7**, Woodcock 6, Rix 6.
 Sheff Wed: Bolder 6, Sterland 6, Bailey 6, Smith 6, ***LYONS 7**, Shelton 5, Megson 6, Taylor 5, Bannister 6, Pearson 6, Mirocovic 6.
 Referee: L. Burden (Corfe Mullen)
 Match Rating: ★★

LIVERPOOL (0) 2 (Hodgson 67, Souness 86)
WEST HAM (0) 1 (Allen 71)
 Att: 23,953
 Liverpool: Grobbelaar 6, Neal 7, Kennedy 7, Lawrenson 6, Johnston 6 (sub, Whelan), Hansen 6, Dalglish 7, Lee 6, Rush 6.
 ***HODGSON 8**, Souness 7.
 West Ham: Parkes 7, Cowie 7, Gallagher 7, Bonds 6, Martin 7, Devonshire 6, Van der Elst 5, Goddard 7, Clark 6, ***ALLEN 8**, Pike 5.
 Referee: M. J. Heath (Stoke)
 Match Rating: ★★

Division Three

ORIENT (1) 2 (Peach, pen 40, Sussex 80)
PORTSMOUTH (1) 1 (Rafferty 5)
 Att: 3,961
 Orient: Day 7, Roffey 7, Peach 7, Foster 6, Cunningham 6, Cornwell 7, Gray 6.
 ***GODFREY 8**, Houchen 7, Kitchen (sub, Smith 6), Sussex 6.
 Portsmouth: Knight 6, Ellis 6 (sub, Thomas), Sullivan 7, ***DOYLE 9**, Howe 5, Aizlewood 6, Webb 5, Tait 6, Rafferty 8, Biley 7, Rogers 7.
 Referee: D. A. Hedges (Oxford)
 Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

BRISTOL CITY (0) 1 (Riley 54)
TRANMERE (0) 0
 Att: 3,344
 Bristol City: Shaw 6, Newman 7, Johnson 6, Nicholls 7, Williams 6, Riley 7, Ritchie 6.
 ***CHANDLER 8**, Economou 6, Garland 6, Crawford 6.
 Tranmere: Endersby 6, Mungall 6, Burgess 7, Mooney 6, ***HAMILTON 8** (sub, Wood 6), Oliver 6, Powell 6, Aspinall 6, Kerr 6, Brown 6, Griffiths 6.
 Referee: J. E. Martin (Alton)
 Match Rating: ★★

Welsh Cup, Fourth Round

SWANSEA (2) 2 (Latchford 5, Gale 28)
SHREWSBURY (0) 1 (Stevens 46)
 Att: 4,511

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 ★★★★★ Good value
 ★★★★★ Satisfactory
 ★★★★★ Dull
 ★ A waste of money

Wednesday, Jan. 19

Milk, Cup, Quarter Finals

MANCHESTER UNITED (1) 4 (McQueen 3, 64, Coppell 50, Robson 87)
NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 0
 Att: 44,400
 Man Utd: Bailey 6, Duxbury 6, Albiston 6, Moses 7, Moran 7, ***MCQUEEN 9**, Robson 6, Muhren 7, Stapleton 6, Whiteside 6, Coppell 8.
 Nott'm Forest: Sutton 5, Swain 5, Gunn 5, Todd 6, Young 6, Bowyer 6, Proctor 5 (sub, Gray), Wallace 6, Davenport 6, ***HODGE 7**, Robertson 6.
 Referee: B. Newsome (Broseley)
 Match Rating: ★★

TOTTENHAM (0) 1 (Gibson 46)
BURNLEY (0) 4 (Roberts, og 65, og 86, Hamilton 76, 90)
 Att: 30,771
 Spurs: Clemence 6, Hughton 5, O'Reilly 4, Roberts 4, Villa 5 (sub, Brooke), Perryman 6, Ardiles 6, Archibald 6, Gibson 6, ***HODDLE 7**, Mabbutt 6.

Burnley: Stevenson 7, Laws 7, Donachie 6, Dobson 7, Phelan 7, Flynn 7, Scott 6, Steven 6, ***HAMILTON 8**, Taylor 7, Young 7.
 Referee: A. Grey (Great Yarmouth)
 Match Rating: ★★

Welsh Cup, Fourth Round

WREXHAM (3) 4 (Savage 22, Gregory 26, Buxton, pen 44, Bremner 89)
NEWPORT (1) 1 (Aldridge 12)
 Att: 1,825

European Super Cup Final First Leg

BARCELONA (0) 1 (Marcos 55)
ASTON VILLA (0) 0
 Att: 55,000

Friday, Jan. 21

Division Four

COLCHESTER (3) 4 (Adcock 8, 37, 86, Allinson, pen 13)
CREWE (1) 3 (Cliss 9, 69, Bancroft 90)
 Att: 2,221
 Colchester: Walker 6, Ward 6, Keith 6, Longhorn 6, Wignall 6, Coleman 7, Allinson 6, Osborne 6, Linford 7, ***ADCOCK 9**, Hull 7.
 Crewe: Smith 6, Moore 6, Bowers 6, Metcalfe 7, Scott 6, Hart 6 (sub, Craven 6), Haslegrave 7, Bancroft 6, Waller 6, Evans 7.
 ***CLISS 8**.
 Referee: K. G. Salmon (Barnet)
 Match Rating: ★★

STOCKPORT (1) 3 (Power 15, Wardrobe 47, 60)
TRANMERE (0) 2 (Brown 55, Ferguson 83)
 Att: 2,198
 Stockport: Lloyd 6, Thorpe 7, Rutter 6, Emmerson 6, Sword 7, Bowles 6, Williams 7, Phillips 6, ***WARDROBE 8**, Power 7, Smith 6.
 Tranmere: Endersby 6, Mathias 6, Burgess 6, Mooney 7, ***FERGUSON 8**, Oliver 6, Powell 7, Aspinall 6, Kerr 7, Brown 7, Griffiths 7.
 Referee: J. M. Key (Rotherham)
 Match Rating: ★★

Saturday, Jan. 22

Division One

ASTON VILLA (1) 1 (Shaw 4)
MANCHESTER CITY (1) 1 (Hartford 45)
 Att: 20,415
 Aston Villa: Spink 7, ***WILLIAMS 8**, Gibson 6, Evans 6, McNaught 6, Mortimer 5, Bremner 5, Shaw 7, Withe 6, Cowans 7, Morley 5.
 Man City: Corrigan 7, Ranson 7, Bond 6, Reid 6, Power 6, Caton 7, ***TUEART 9**, Reeves 7, Cross 6, Hartford 8, Kinsey 6.
 Referee: D. Reeves (Uxbridge)
 Match Rating: ★★

BRIGHTON (0) 2 (Ritchie 70, Grealish 73)
LUTON (2) 4 (Hill 5, 71, Stevens, og 24, Case, og 74)
 Att: 11,785

Brighton: Moseley 6, Ramsey 6, Pearce 6 (sub, Ritchie 7), Grealish 7, Foster 6, Stevens 6, Case 7, Ward 6, Robinson 6, Smith 6.
 ***SMILLIE 8**.

Luton: Findlay 7, Stephens 7, Thomas 6, Horton 6, ***GOODYEAR 8**, Donaghy 6, Hill 7, Bunn 6, Walsh 6, Turner 6 (sub, Kellock 6), Moss 6.

Referee: D. Letts (Aldershot)
 Match Rating: ★★

COVENTRY (0) 0

SWANSEA (0) 0

Att: 9,946

Coventry: ***SEALEY 8**, Thomas 6, Roberts 5, Butterworth 5, Dyson 7, Gillespie 7, Whitton 5, Francis 5, Hateley 6, Melrose 5 (sub, Thompson 6), Hunt 5.
 Swansea: Davies 7, Robinson 7, Marustik 7, Charles 7, ***STEVENSON 8**, Rajkovic 7, Gale 7, James 7, Mahoney 7, Stanley 6, Latchford 7.

Referee: A. Robinson (Waterloooville)
 Match Rating: ★★

LIVERPOOL (1) 1 (Neal 8)

BIRMINGHAM (0) 0

Att: 30,986

Liverpool: Grobbelaar 6, Neal 7, Kennedy 6, Lawrenson 7, Whelan 6, Hansen 6, Dalglish 6, Lee 7, ***JOHNSTON 8**, Hodgson 6, Souness 6.

Birmingham: ***COTON 8**, Hagan 6, Dennis 6, Brazier 5, Blake 6, Broadhurst 5, Dillon 6, Gayle 5, Harford 6, Curbishley 5, Handsides 5 (sub, Summerfield).
 Referee: J. D. Hough (Macclesfield)
 Match Rating: ★★

MANCHESTER UNITED (0) 2 (Coppell, pen 64, Muhren 69)

NOTTINGHAM FOREST (0) 0

Att: 38,615

Man Utd: Bailey 6, Duxbury 6, Albiston 6, Moses 7, Moran 6, McQueen 7, Robson 7, Muhren 7, Stapleton 6, ***WHITESIDE 8**, Coppell 7.

Nott'm Forest: ***SUTTON 8**, Swain 6, Gray 5, Gunn 5, Young 6, Bowyer 5, Robertson 5 (sub, Fairclough), Wallace 6, Davenport 5, Hodge 6, Walsh 5.

Referee: K. S. Hackett (Sheffield)
 Match Rating: ★★

NORWICH (0) 0

EVERTON (1) 1 (Ratcliffe 20)

Att: 14,180

Norwich: Woods 6, Haylock 6, Downs 6, Mendham 6, Walford 7, Hareide 6, Barham 7, O'Neill 7, Deehan 6, ***CHANNON 8**, Van Wyk 7 (sub, Bertschin).

Everton: ***ARNOLD 8**, Stevens 7, Bailey 7, Ratcliffe 7, Higgins 7, McMahon 7, King 7, Heath 7, Sharp 7, Reid 7, Sheedy 7.
 Referee: H. Taylor (Oadby)
 Match Rating: ★★

NOTTS COUNTY (0) 1 (Fashanu 65)

ARSENAL (0) 0

Att: 9,731

Notts County: Avramovic 7, Benjamin 7, Worthington 7, Hunt 7, Kilcline 7, Richards 7, Chiedozie 6 (sub, Christie), ***FASHANU 8**, McCulloch 7, Goodwin 6, Mair 7.

Arsenal: Jennings 7, Hollins 7, Sansom 7, ***ROBSON 8**, O'Leary 7, Nicholas 6, Davis 7 (sub, Talbot 6), Sunderland 6, Petrovic 7, Woodcock 6, Rix 7.

Referee: R. A. Banks (Manchester)
 Match Rating: ★★

STOKE (0) 1 (Painter 57)

IPSWICH (0) 0

Att: 14,026

Stoke: Fox 7, Parkin 7, Hampton 7, Bracewell 6, Watson 7, Berry 7, ***PAINTER 9** (sub, Bould), McIlroy 6, O'Callaghan 7, Thomas 8, Maguire 7.

Ipswich: Sivell 6, Steggles 6, Gernon 6, Thijssen 7, ***OSMAN 8**, Butcher 7, Wark 7, McCall 6, Mariner 6, Brazil 7, Gates 6 (sub, O'Callaghan 6).

Referee: T. Mills (Barnsley)
 Match Rating: ★★

TOTTENHAM (1) 1 (Gibson 19)

SUNDERLAND (0) 1 (Cummins, pen 85)

Att: 25,250

Spurs: Clemence 7, Hughton 7, Lacy 7, Roberts 6, Villa 7, Perryman 6, Dick 7, Archibald 6, Gibson 7, ***HODDLE 8**, Mabbutt 5.

Sunderland: Turner 7, ***NICHOLL 8**, Munro 6, Atkins 7, Chisholm 6, Pickering 7, Venison 6, West 5, Worthington 6 (sub, McCoist 6), James 6, Cummins 6.

Referee: B. Hill (Kettering)
 Match Rating: ★★

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WATFORD (0) 2 (Nicholl, og 66, Blissett 72)
SOUTHAMPTON (0) 0
Att: 17,189

Watford: Sherwood 7, Rice 6, Rostron 7, Taylor 6, Sims 7, Bolton 6, Callaghan 7, Blissett 6, Gilligan 5, Jackett 6. ***BARNES 8.**

Southampton: ***SHILTON 8**, Agboola 5, Mills 6, Williams 5, Nicholl 5, Wright 6, Holmes 6, Cassells 5, Moran 6, Armstrong 6, Wallace 5.

Referee: T. Bune (Yattendon)
Match Rating: ★

WEST HAM (0) 0

WEST BROM (1) 1 (Eastoe 8)
Att: 19,887

West Ham: Parkes 7, Lampard 7, Gallagher 6, Bonds 6, Martin 6. ***DEVONSHIRE 8**, Van der Elst 6 (sub. Cowie 6), Goddard 6, Clark 5, Allen 6, Pike 6.

West Brom: Barron 8, Whitehead 6, Statham 7, Zondervan 8, Wile 8, Robertson 7, Jol 6. ***BENNETT 9**, Regis 7 (sub. Cross 8), Owen 7, Eastoe 7.

Referee: M. T. Taylor (Deal)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Two

BURNLEY (2) 3 (Hamilton 1, Steven 34, Taylor, pen 88)

BARNSLY (0) 1 (Joyce 73)
Att: 10,275

Burnley: Stevenson 6, Scott 7, Donachie 6, Phelan 7, Dobson 7, Flynn 7, Caveney 6, Steven 8 (sub. Wharton). ***HAMILTON 9**, Taylor 6, Young 6.

Barnsley: Pearce 7, Joyce 6, Chambers 6, Glavin 6. ***BANKS 8**, McCarthy 7, Law 6, Parker 6, Ronson 5, Airey 5, Birch 6 (sub. Wilkes).

Referee: V. Callow (Solihull)
Match Rating: ★★★

CAMBRIDGE (1) 2 (Mayo 20, Turner 86)
ROTHERHAM (0) 0
Att: 3,090

Cambridge: Webster 7, Donaldson 6, Murray 7, Turner 7, Fallon 7, O'Neill 6, Cartwright 7, Spriggs 6. ***REILLY 8**, Mayo 7, Fisher 6. **Rotherham:** ***MOUNTFORD 8**, Forrest 7, Henson 6, Seaman 6, Hughes 6, Green 6, Townner 7, Lodge 6, Fern 6, Walker 6, McBride 6.

Referee: D. J. Axcell (Southend)
Match Rating: ★★

CRYSTAL PALACE (0) 0
QPR (1) 3 (Allen 44, 60, Hazell 75)
Att: 14,621

Crystal Palace: Fry 6, Locke 6, Brooks 6 (sub. Edwards 6), Nebbeling 6, Cannon 6, Hinshelwood 6. ***GILES 7**, Hughton 6, Jones 5, Langley 5, Hilaire 6.

QPR: Hucker 6, Neill 6, Dawes 6, Waddock 6, Hazell 7, Fenwick 7, Micklewhite 7, Sealy 6. ***ALLEN 8**, Flanagan 6, Gregory 6.

Referee: G. Naphine (Loughborough)
Match Rating: ★★

DERBY (0) 3 (Davison 47, Swindlehurst 65, Gemmill, pen 78)
LEEDS (1) 3 (Graham 15, 62, Hart 51)
Att: 17,005

Derby: Cherry 7, Barton 6, Buckley 5, Gemmill 7 (sub. Skivington), Foster 5, McAlle 6, Brolly 7, Davison 7, Wilson 6.

***SWINDLEHURST 9**, Mills 6. **Leeds:** Lukic 7, Aspin 6. ***GRAY, E 9**, Sheridan 7, Hart 7, Burns 7, Thomas 5 (sub. Hird), Butterworth 6, Connor 6, Gray, F 7, Graham 8.

Referee: T. W. Ward (London)
Match Rating: ★★★

FULHAM (1) 1 (Wilson 10)

MIDDLESBROUGH (0) 0
Att: 8,431

Fulham: Peyton 6, Hopkins 6, Parker 7, ***BROWN 8**, Gale 7, O'Driscoll 6, Davies 6, Wilson 7, Coney 6, Houghton 7, Lewington 6.

Middlesbrough: O'Hanlon 7, Mowbray 6, Nattrass 7, Wood 7. ***BOLTON 8**, Jol 6, Sugrue 6, Kennedy 6, Shearer 5, Hankin 6, Bell 7.

Referee: K. Barrett (Coventry)
Match Rating: ★★

GRIMSBY (0) 1 (Wilkinson 84)

CHARLTON (1) 1 (Aislewood 20)
Att: 5,990

Grimsbby: Batch 6, Moore, D 6, Crombie 7. ***WATERS 8**, Stone 6, Moore, K 7, Ford 7, Whymark 6, Drinkell 6, O'Dell 6, Bonnyman 6 (sub. Wilkinson).

Charlton: Johns 7, Gritt 7, Aislewood 7, McAllister 7, Elliott 6 (sub. Smith 6). ***BERRY 8**, Simonsen 7, Harris 6, Hales 6, Bullivant 7, Robinson 7.

Referee: T. Fitzharris (Bolton)
Match Rating: ★★

LEICESTER (0) 0

BLACKBURN (1) 1 (Lowey 9)
Att: 8,361

Leicester: Wallington 7, Ramsey 7, Smith, B 6, Macdonald 6. ***MAY 8**, O'Neill 7, Lynex 6 (sub. English 6), Lineker 6, Smith, A 7, Kelly 7, Wilson 6.

Blackburn: Gennoe 7, Branagan 7, Rathbone 6, Randall 6 (sub. Keeley 6), Mail 6.

***FAZACKERLEY 8**, Miller 7, Arnott 7, Bell 6, Garner 6, Lowey 6.

Referee: M. Dimblebee (Stevenage)
Match Rating: ★

NEWCASTLE (1) 4 (Wharton 6, 89, Keegan, pen 58, Varadi 86)

SHREWSBURY (0) 0
Att: 19,352

Newcastle: Carr 7, Anderson 7, Saunders 7, Martin 6, Clarke 8, Carney 7, Keegan 8 (sub. Ferris), McDonald 6, Varadi 6. ***WHARTON 9**, Waddle 8.

Shrewsbury: Ogrizovic 7, Williams 6 (sub. Petts 7), Johnson 6, Bates 6, Pearson 7, Griffin 6. ***CROSS 8**, MacLaren 6, Brown 6, McNally 7, Stevens 6.

Referee: R. Chadwick (Darwen)
Match Rating: ★★★

OLDHAM (1) 2 (McDonough 31, 78)

BOLTON (1) 3 (Thompson 4, Chandler 59, Foster 84)
Att: 8,510

Oldham: Goram 6, Hoolickin 6, Edwards 6 (sub. Hudson 6), Keegan 6, Clements 8.

***FUTCHER 9**, Sinclair 6, Atkinson 7, McDonough 7, Wylde 6, Palmer 6.

Bolton: McDonagh 6, Whitworth 7. ***DEAKIN 8**, Henry 7, Jones 6 (sub. Moores 6), Doyle 6, Chandler 6, Whatmore 6, Foster 6, Hoggan 6, Thompson 6.

Referee: A. Seville (Birmingham)
Match Rating: ★★

Sending Off: Wylde (Oldham)

SHEFFIELD WEDNESDAY (1) 1 (Taylor 40)

CARLISLE (1) 1 (Shoulder, pen 22)
Att: 12,874

Sheff Wed: Bolder 7, Sterland 7, Bailey 6, Smith 6. ***LYONS 8**, Shelton 7, Mirocevic 5, Taylor 6 (sub. Owen 6), Bannister 7, Pearson 6, Heard 6.

Carlisle: Swinburne 7, Parker 6, Haigh 6, Ashurst 7, Larkin 7, Craig 6, Staniforth 6, Coughlin 6, Poskett 6. ***BANNON 8**, Shoulder 7.

Referee: F. Roberts (Prestatyn)
Match Rating: ★★

WOLVES (1) 2 (Eves 4, Clarke 70)

CHELSEA (1) 1 (Pates 37)
Att: 19,533

Wolves: Burridge 7, Humphrey 7, Palmer 7, Smith 6, Pender 7. ***DODD 8**, Hibbit 7, Clarke 7, Gray 5, Eves 7, Matthews 7.

Chelsea: Francis 7, Lee 7, Jones 6, Bumstead 6, Pates 7, Chivers 6. ***FILLERY 8**, Hales 6, Speedie 6 (sub. Walker), Mayes 6, Rhoades-Brown 6.

Referee: T. A. Jones (Macclesfield)
Match Rating: ★★★

Division Three

BOURNEMOUTH (1) 3 (Heffernan 30, 51, pen 88)

MILLWALL (0) 0
Att: 4,707

Bournemouth: Leigh 7. ***HEFFERNAN 8**, Sulley 7, Spackman 6, Brignull 7, Golac 7, Neighbour 7, Madden 6, Morgan 6, Funnell 6, Dawtry 6 (sub. Lee).

Millwall: Sansome 6, Stevens 6, Stride 6, Madden 7, Allardyce 6. ***ROBERTS 8**, Shinton 6, Neal 7, Aylott 6, Martin 6, Chatterton 6 (sub. Hayes 7).

Referee: J. Martin (Bolton)
Match Rating: ★★

BRADFORD (0) 0

WIGAN (1) 1 (O'Keefe, pen 34)
Att: 4,741

Bradford: Ramsbottom 6, Podd 7, Chapman 6, Lester 7, Jackson 7. ***CHERRY 8**, Gray 6, Yorath 6 (sub. McCaw 7), Campbell 6, Cooke 7, Mellor 6.

Wigan: Tunks 8, McMahon 6, Glenn 6, Cribley 6, Walsh 7. ***METHVEN 9**, Lowe 7 (sub. Houghton), Barrow 8, Butler 7, O'Keefe 7, Weston 6.

Referee: N. Ashley (Nantwich)
Match Rating: ★★★

BRENTFORD (1) 5 (Booker 45, 66, Bowles, pen 59, Roberts 75, Hurlock 85)

ORIENT (1) 2 (Blackhall 9, Godfrey 84)
Att: 5,209

Brentford: Roche 7, Rowe 6, Harris 7, Booker 7, Whitehead 6, Hurlock 7, Kamara 7. ***JOSEPH 8**, Walker 7, Bowles 7, Roberts 7.

Orient: Day 7, Roffey 6, Peach 7, Foster 6, Cunningham 6, Cornwell 7, Gray 5.

***GODFREY 8**, Houchen 7, Blackhall 7, Sussex 6.

Referee: A. R. Glasson (Salisbury)
Match Rating: ★★

CARDIFF (2) 3 (Bennett, G 23, Hemmerman, pen 37, Bennett, D 73)

WALSALL (0) 1 (Beech 51)
Att: 6,237

Cardiff: Dibble 7, Jones 6, Mullen 6, Tong 6, Dwyer 7. ***BENNETT, G 8**, Bennett, D 7, Gibbins 7, Hutton 6, Hemmerman 7, Lewis 6.

Walsall: Green 6, Caswell 6, Mower 6, Beech 6. ***SINNOTT 7**, Hart 5, Rees 5 (sub. Shakespeare 5), Preece 6, Kearns 6, Buckley 5, O'Kelly 5.

Referee: C. Downey (Hounslow)
Match Rating: ★★

Sending Off: Lewis (Cardiff), Caswell (Walsall)

CHESTERFIELD (0) 0

READING (0) 0
Att: 2,703

Chesterfield: Gregory 7, Bellamy 6, Partridge 6, Gooding 7, Green 6, Pollard 6 (sub. Ivey 6), Plummer 6. ***WINDRIDGE 8**, Henderson 7, Kowalski 6, Kendal 5.

Reading: ***JUDGE 8**, Tutty 6, Richardson 6, Beavon 7, Hicks 6, White 6, Matthews 7, Earles 6, Williams 7, Bason 6, Docherty 6.

Referee: G. Courtney (Spennymoor)
Match Rating: ★★

DONCASTER (0) 0

SOUTHEND (0) 0
Att: 3,242

Doncaster: Peacock 6, Russell 5, Snodin, G 6, Snodin, I 6, Humphries 6. ***WIGGINTON 7**, Mell 5 (sub. Douglas 5), Lister 5, Austin 6, Campbell 5, Robertson 6.

Southend: Cawston 6, Pennyfather 6, Yates 6, Clark 5, Handley 6. ***CUSACK 7**, Pountney 6, Phillips 6, Mercer 5, Otulakowski 5, Nelson 6.

Referee: D. Allinson (Lancs)
Match Rating: ★

GILLINGHAM (0) 1 (Adams 83)

WREXHAM (1) 1 (Arkwright 39)
Att: 3,798

Gillingham: ***HODGE 8**, Sharpe 6, Adams 6, Bruce 7, Sittion 7, Tydeman 6 (sub. Powell 6), Price 7, Handford 6, White 6, Lansdowne 7, Cascarino 6.

Wrexham: Niedzwiecki 7, King 6, Hill 6, Savage 7. ***DOWMAN 8**, Kay 7, Arkwright 6, Gregory 7, Hunt 6, Bremner 6, Buxton 6.

Referee: D. Vickers (Ilford)
Match Rating: ★★

HUDDERSFIELD (0) 0

SHEFFIELD UNITED (0) 0
Att: 15,769

Huddersfield: ***COX 9**, Brown 7, Burke 7, Stanton 6, Sutton 6, Hanvey 7, Lillis 6, Laverick 8, Russell 7, Wilson 7, Pugh 7.

Sheff Utd: Waugh 7. ***HENDERSON 9**, Garner 7, Brazil 8, West 7, Houston 7, Morris 8, Young 7, Edwards 6, Curran 8, King 8.

Referee: M. Peck (Kendal)
Match Rating: ★★

LINCOLN (1) 2 (Bell 19, Hobson 47)

BRISTOL ROVERS (1) 1 (Platnauer 25)
Att: 5,342

Lincoln: Felgate 7, Simmonite 7, Neale 7. ***COCKERILL 9**, Peake 8, Thompson 7, Burke 7, Turner 7, Hobson 7, Bell 7 (sub. Carr 6), Shipley 8.

Bristol Rovers: ***KITE 8**, Sherwood 6, Slatter 7, Pulis 7, Parkin 6, McCaffery 7, Curle 6, Carter 6, Randall 6, Kelly 7 (sub. Williams 6), Platnauer 7.

Referee: J. Hunting (Leicester)
Match Rating: ★★

PLYMOUTH (1) 2 (Vaughan, og 19, Cook 64)

NEWPORT (2) 4 (Tynan 14, 27, Else 82, Lowndes 90)
Att: 4,287

Plymouth: Crudgington 5, Nisbet 5, Phillips 6, Harrison 4. ***SMITH 7**, Cooper 4, Hodges 5, Cook 4, Sims 5, McCartney 5, Rogers 6.

Newport: Kendall 6, Boyle 7, Relish 5 (sub. Pulis 5). ***BAILEY 9**, Oakes 7, Stroud 6, Lowndes 6, Aldridge 7, Tynan 7, Vaughan 5, Else 6.

Referee: J. E. Bray (Hinckley)
Match Rating: ★★

PORTSMOUTH (1) 1 (Rafferty 36)

OXFORD (0) 0
Att: 10,882

Portsmouth: Knight 6, Ellis 6, Sullivan 5, Doyle 6, Howe 6, Aislewood 5, Webb 6, Kite 5. ***RAFFERTY 7**, Biley 5 (sub. Thomas), Rogers 5.

Oxford: Butcher 6, Fogg 6, Grant 5. ***TRAIN 7**, Briggs 5, Shotton 6, Lawrence 5, Foley 6 (sub. Barnett 5), Vinter 5, Brock 6, Smithers 5.

Referee: A. Gunn (Burgess Hill)
Match Rating: ★★

PRESTON (1) 2 (Elliott 5, Bruce 50)

EXETER (0) 2 (Pratt 64, Neville 86)
Att: 3,767

Preston: Litchfield 7, Westwell 6, McAteer 7, O'Riordan 7, Booth 7, Buckley 7, Kelly 7, Bruce 7, Elliott 6. ***NAUGHTON 8**, Bell 7.

Exeter: ***BOND 8**, Sparrow 5 (sub. Pratt 7), Viney 6, Harle 6, Marker 7, McEwan 7, Neville 7, Rogers, P 6, Gibson 6, Delve 6, Rogers, M 6.

Referee: R. Bridges (Deeside)
Match Rating: ★★

Division Four

ALDERSHOT (0) 2 (Lucas 49, Gillard 52)

TORQUAY (1) 1 (Anderson 42)
Att: 1,706

Aldershot: Johnson 6, Shrubbs 6. ***GILLARD 8** (sub. Robinson), Scott 6, Wooller 7, Jopling 6, Lucas 7, Banton 7, Sanford 4, McDonald 7, Brodie 6.

Torquay: Horn 6, Doyle 5. ***WILSON 8**, Sheridan 7, Little 6 (sub. Gallagher), Hughes 6, Grapes 6, O'Donnell 5, Cooper 7, Anderson 6, Bishop 5.

Referee: B. Daniels (Brentwood)
Match Rating: ★★

BRISTOL CITY (1) 1 (Ritchie, pen 40)

NORTHAMPTON (2) 3 (Phillips 23, Syrett 38, Massey 50)
Att: 4,835

Bristol City: Shaw 7, Newman 6, Johnson 6, Nichols 7, Williams 6. ***RILEY 8**, Ritchie 7, Garland 7 (sub. Cooper 7), Economou 6, Chandler 6, Crawford 7.

Northampton: Freeman 7, Tucker 6, Phillips 7, Gage 7, Brady 6, Coffill 6, Saunders 7, Patching 7, Muir 7. ***SYRETT 8**, Massey 6 (sub. Saxby 7).

Referee: R. S. Lewis (Surrey)
Match Rating: ★★

BURY (2) 4 (Hetzke, og 1, Firth 42, Jakub 54, Bramhall 78)

BLACKPOOL (0) 1 (Richardson, I, 87)
Att: 3,263

Bury: Brown 6, Gardner 6. ***BRAMHALL 8**, Halliday 7, Davies 7, Potts 6, Gore 6, Jakub 6, Madden 5, Parker 5, Firth 7.

Blackpool: Hesford 6, Pashley 5, Serella 6, Hetzke 6. ***PRITCHETT 7**, Hockaday 6, Deary 5, Richardson, P 6, Downes 6, Richardson, I 6, Stewart 5.

Referee: K. W. Baker (Rugby)
Match Rating: ★★

Sending Off: Serella (Blackpool)

CHESTER (0) 1 (Moss, og 85)

PORT VALE (0) 0
Att: 4,056

Chester: Harrington 6, Bradley 6, Lane 5, Storton 6, Zelem 5, Workman 6, Sloan 7, Simpson 5. ***THOMAS 8**, Ludlam 5 (sub. Cooke 5), Wilson 5.

Port Vale: Southall 6, Tarrt 5, Bromage 6. ***HUNTER 8**, Sproson 6, Cegielski 6, Fox 6, Moss 7, Newton 7, Greenhoff 5 (sub. Ridley 5), Armstrong 6.

Referee: G. Tyson (Sunderland)
Match Rating: ★★

DARLINGTON (1) 1 (McFadden 19)

HALIFAX (1) 2 (Staniforth 7, 50)
Att: 1,175

Darlington: Cuff 6, Liddle 5, Wilson 7, Smith 6, Rhodes 6, Kamara 6, Gilbert 5, McLean 7, Honour 6, Walsh 7. ***McFADDEN 8**.

Halifax: Smelt 6, Nobbs 7, Wood 6, Goodman 5, Smith 6, Hendrie 6, Ward 6, Spooner 7, Allatt 7 (sub. Kendall 6), Nuttall 6.

***STANFORTH 8**. **Referee:** D. Shaw (Sandbach)
Match Rating: ★★

HARTLEPOOL (0) 0

HULL (0) 0
Att: 2,291

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Hull: ★DAVIES 9, McNeil 5, Thompson 7, Roberts, D 6, Skipper 7, Booth 7, Marwood 8, Swain 6, Flounders 6, Mutrie 7, Roberts, G 8.
Referee: A. Robinson (Manchester)
Match Rating: ★★

MANSFIELD (0) 0
HEREFORD (1) 1 (Lane 14)
 Att: 1,655

Mansfield: Arnold 5, ★WOODHEAD 8, Kennedy 5, Matthews 6, Ayre 6, Calderwood 7, Gallagher 5, Hutchinson 5, Cannell 5, Nicholson 5, Bell 5.
Hereford: ★ROSE 8, Price 7, Bray 5, Hicks 6, Pejic 6, Ross 6, Harvey 7, Lane 6 (sub. Bartley), Phillips 5, Showers 6, White 6.
Referee: N. Midgley (Salford)
Match Rating: ★★

SWINDON (1) 4 (Rideout 9, pen 50, 55, Pritchard 82)
ROCHDALE (1) 1 (Hilditch 15)
 Att: 4,425

Swindon: Allan 7, Baverstock 6, Bailie 8, Hughes 7, Lewis 8, Graham 7, Pritchard 6, Batty 7, ★RIDEOUT 9, Rowland 8, Barnard 6.

Rochdale: Pearce 7, Nicholson 5, Snookes 6, Farrell 7, ★McELHINNEY 8, Williams 6, Thompson 6, Greaves 6, French 7, Hilditch 7, Martinez 5 (sub. Wellings 6).
Referee: D. H. Brazier (Northampton)
Match Rating: ★★

WIMBLEDON (1) 2 (Evans 42, Leslie 85)
PETERBOROUGH (1) 1 (Quow 33)
 Att: 2,119

Wimbledon: Beasant 7, Peters 6, Sparrow 5, ★GALLIERS 8, Smith 6, Hatter 6, Evans 6, Ketteridge 5, Leslie 6, Downes 7, Gage 6 (sub. Entwistle).
Peterborough: Seaman 7, Winters 6, Collins 6, ★GYNN 8, Rodaway 7, Slack 6, Clarke 5, Chard 6, Cooke 6, Benjamin 7, Quow 7.
Referee: M. J. Bodenham (Brighton)
Match Rating: ★★

SCOTTISH Premier Division

ABERDEEN (1) 2 (Rougvie 34, McGhee 77)
RANGERS (0) 0
 Att: 22,000

Aberdeen: Leighton 7, Kennedy 8, ★ROUGVIE 9, Cooper 7 (sub. McMaster), McLeish 8, Miller 8, Strachan 7 (sub. Simpson 7), Black 8, McGhee 6, Bell 6, Weir 6.

Rangers: McCloy 7, ★MacKINNON 8, Redford 6, Stevens 6, McClelland 5, Bett 5, Cooper 4 (sub. MacDonald), Prytz 6 (sub. Black), Kennedy 6, Dawson 6, Johnstone 6.
Referee: K. Hope (Clarkston)
Match Rating: ★★

CELTIC (1) 4 (Nicholas 4, McCluskey 47, McGarvey 57, 74)
HIBERNIAN (1) 1 (McAdam, og 43)
 Att: 17,106

Celtic: Bonner 6, McGrain 8, Reid 6, Aitken 7, McAdam 6, MacLeod 6, ★PROVAN 9, McStay 7, McCluskey 7, McGarvey 8, Nicholas 8.
Hibs: Rough 7, ★SNEDDON 8, Turnbull 5, Rae 6, McNamara 6, Conroy 5, Duncan 7, Welsh 6, Rice 6, Irvine 6, Murray 6 (sub. Jamieson 6).
Referee: H. Alexander (Kilmarnock)
Match Rating: ★★

DUNDEE UNITED (3) 3 (Kirkwood 10, Dodds 17, 19)
ST MIRREN (1) 2 (MacDougall 44, Somner 88)
 Att: 6,714

Dundee Utd: McAlpine 6, Gough 6, Hegarty 7, Stark 6, Malpas 6, ★KIRKWOOD 8, Holt 6, Narey 7, Clark 6 (sub. Reilly 6), Dodds 6, Milne 6.
St Mirren: Thomson 6, ★WILSON 7, Walker 5, Fulton 6, Clarke 6, Stark 5, Richardson 6, Abercromby 6, McAvennie 6, MacDougall 6, Scanlon 5 (sub. Somner 6).
Referee: D. Syme (Rutherglen)
Match Rating: ★★

KILMARNOCK (1) 2 (Gallagher 21, Clark, R, pen 50)
DUNDEE (0) 0
 Att: 1,900

Kilmarnock: McCulloch 7, McDicken 6, Clark, R 7, Clark, J 7, Armstrong 7, Clarke, P 6, McGivern 7, MacLeod 6, ★GALLAGHER 8, Simpson 7, Clinging 7 (sub. Bryson 6).

Dundee: Kelly 6, Glennie 6, Scrimgeour 6, Fraser 7, Smith 6, McDonald 5 (sub. McGeachie 6), Ferguson 6, ★BELL 8, Sinclair 6, Mackie 7, Stephen 5 (sub. Murphy 6).
Referee: D. Ramsay (Edinburgh)
Match Rating: ★★

MORTON (0) 0
MOTHERWELL (0) 1 (McClair 59)
 Att: 3,000

Morton: Baines 6, Houston 5, Holmes 6, McLaughlin 5, Duffy 6, Rooney 5, Cochrane 6 (sub. Docherty 6), Gibson 4, Payne 7, Hutchison 5 (sub. Slaven 6), McNab 5.
Motherwell: Walker 6, Dornan 6, ★MacLEOD 8, Carson 6, Edvaldsson 6, Mauchlen 5 (sub. Forbes 5), Flavell 5, Rafferty 6, Harrow 7, McClair 7, O'Hara 6.
Referee: R. Cuthill (Winchburgh)
Match Rating: ★★

First Division

AIRDRIE (0) 0
QUEENS PARK (1) 1 (Grant 6)
 Att: 1,200

Clyde (1) 5 (Docherty 3, Evans 47, O'Neill 54, Sinclair 62, Dempsey 75)
HAMILTON (1) 2 (Wright 45, Fairlie, pen 68)
 Att: 833

DUMBARTON (1) 1 (Craig 24)
ALLOA (0) 2 (Houston 69, Campbell 81)
 Att: 450

FALKIRK (1) 1 (Hoggan, pen 26)
DUNFERMLINE (0) 0
 Att: 2,500

HEARTS (0) 0
PARTICK THISTLE (0) 1 (Park 87)
 Att: 7,061

RAITH (0) 0
ALLOA (0) 1 (Larnach 89)
 Att: 600

ST JOHNSTONE (0) 0
CLYDEBANK (0) 1 (McGhie 62)
 Att: 2,415

Second Division

BERWICK (0) 1 (Armstrong, pen 85)
BRECHIN (0) 1 (Graham 62)
 Att: 575

COWDENBEATH (0) 2 (Liddle 65, McIntosh 72)
ARBROATH (0) 1 (Shaw 49)
 Att: 350

FORFAR (1) 2 (Farningham 33, McDonald 77)
ALBION (0) 0
 Att: 900

MEADOWBANK (2) 3 (Hendrie 4, 45, 77)
STENHOUSEMUIR (0) 1 (Murray 61)
 Att: 400

MONTROSE (0) 0
STIRLING (0) 1 (Colquhoun 48)
 Att: 200

QUEEN OF THE SOUTH (1) 2 (Alexander 10, Cloy, pen 83)
EAST STIRLING (1) 2 (Ashwood 35, Watt 86)
 Att: 800

STRANRAER (0) 2 (Sweeney 47, 89)
EAST FIFE (2) 2 (Kirk 20, Thomson 31)
 Att: 350

LEADING SCORERS

(League, Cups, Total)

Division One			
Rush (Liverpool)	19	3	22
Latchford (Swansea)	13	4	17
Stein (Luton)	14	1	15
Wark (Ipswich)	11	3	14
Blissett (Watford)	12	2	14

Division Two			
Drinkell (Grimsby)	13	5	18
Glavin (Barnsley)	12	5	17
Lineker (Leicester)	17	0	17
Davies (Fulham)	15	1	16
Garner (Blackburn)	14	1	15
Shoulder (Carlisle)	15	0	15

MATCH WINNERS

MICHAEL WHITE of Tamworth, won the five-day PGL Soccer Holiday in our January 8th 'Spot the Difference' competition.
 The following ten runners-up each receive a P.G.L. T-shirt: Paul Boon, Daventry; Robert Carson, Sunderland; Mark Farnworth, Warrington; Neil Vassey, Skegness; Adrian Tawn, Wisbech; Paul Owens, North Shields; Alan Woodcock, Rotherham; J. Symes, Sutton Coldfield; Matthew Sales, Burnham, Bucks; Barry MacLean, Collanfield, Inverness.

A SET of four European club competition programmes, featuring Ipswich and West Ham, go to the five winners of our January 8th 'Programme Parade' competition.
 The winners are: S. Dowler, Hertford; Lloyd Pattison, Hull; Alan Backaller, Orpington; Ian Ellis, Shrewsbury; Neil Yarnold, Keighley.

Division Three			
Dixon (Reading)	21	0	21
Bell (Lincoln)	18	3	21
Campbell (Bradford)	14	5	19
Joseph (Brentford)	17	2	19
Hemmerman (Cardiff)	15	4	19

Division Four			
Massey (Northampton)	13	4	17
Rideout (Swindon)	14	3	17
Leslie (Wimbledon)	15	2	17
Rowland (Swindon)	12	4	16

SCOTTISH Premier Division			
Nicholas (Celtic)	18	13	31
Dodds (Dundee Utd.)	13	5	18
McGhee (Aberdeen)	11	4	15

LEAGUE TABLES

Division One

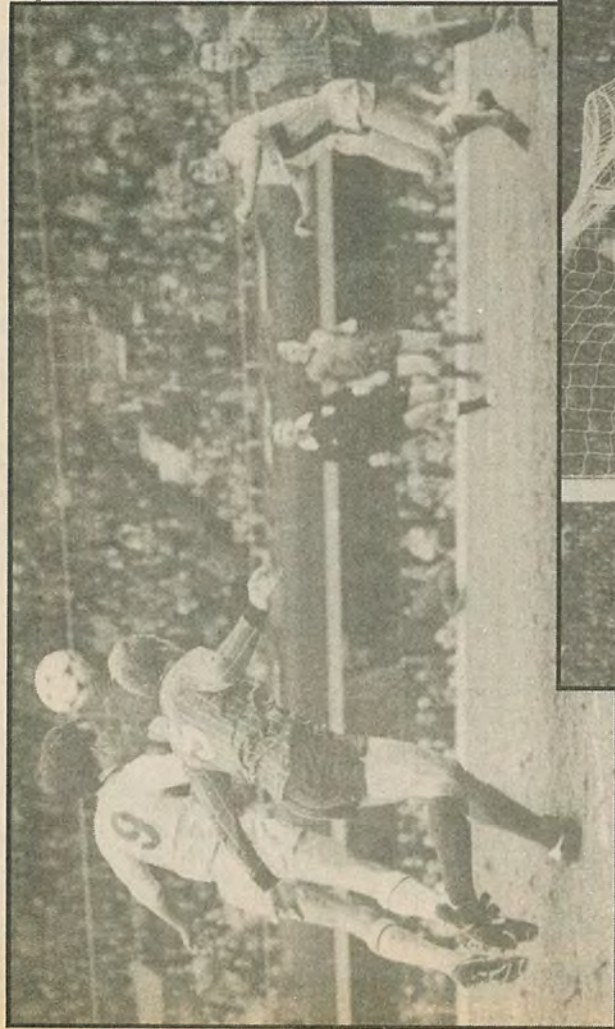
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Liverpool	25	11	2	0	41	12	6	3	3	19	9	56
Man Utd	25	9	4	0	24	5	4	3	5	11	14	46
Watford	25	10	2	1	30	7	3	2	7	14	19	43
Nott Forest	25	9	2	1	23	8	4	2	7	17	25	43
Coventry	25	9	3	1	21	7	2	3	7	12	23	39
West Ham	24	8	1	3	28	14	4	0	8	14	22	37
Aston Villa	25	9	2	2	28	12	2	1	9	7	22	36
Everton	25	7	4	1	25	12	3	2	8	15	20	36
Man City	25	8	3	1	20	10	2	3	8	14	28	36
Tottenham	25	8	3	2	31	13	2	2	8	5	22	35
Ipswich	25	6	1	5	21	15	3	6	4	18	15	34
Stoke	25	8	3	2	25	16	2	1	9	11	23	34
West Brom	24	7	3	2	25	12	2	3	7	11	23	33
Arsenal	25	6	3	3	21	13	3	3	7	12	20	33
Notts County	25	7	2	4	19	16	2	2	8	13	28	31
Luton	25	4	5	3	23	18	3	4	6	23	33	30
Southampton	25	6	3	1	18	13	2	3	8	11	28	30
Swansea	25	7	2	3	19	11	0	4	6	12	25	27
Sunderland	25	4	5	3	17	11	2	4	7	11	27	27
Norwich	25	6	2	5	17	13	1	3	8	9	28	26
Brighton	25	6	4	3	18	14	0	2	10	5	34	24
Birmingham	25	4	4	4	15	16	0	7	6	4	19	23

Division Two

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	P
Wolves	25	11	0	2	33	10	5	5	2	17	13	53
Q.P.R.	25	8	2	2	24	10	7	2	4	16	12	49
Fulham	25	8	3	2	23	15	6	2	4	12	17	47
Sheff. Wed.	25	6	5	2	24	16	4	3	5	16	17	38
Leicester	25	6	1	6	19	11	5	2	5	22	17	36
Leeds	25	5	5	2	15	10	3	7	3	15	17	36
Shrewsbury	25	4	3	1	9	5	2	6	19	25	36	
Grimsby	25	7	4	2	24	15	3	1	8	11	28	35
Oldham	25	4	7	2	25	19	3	6	3	16	15	34
Barnsley	25	5	6	1	23	13	3	4	6	13	18	34
Blackburn	25	5	5	2	14	5	4	2	7	13	22	34
Newcastle	25	6	5	2	21	13	3	4	6	17	23	33
Rotherham	25	5	3	4	13	13	3	5	5	15	21	32
ChelSEA	25	6	5	1	22	8	2	2	9	10	23	31
Bolton	25	7	1	4	21	15	1	6	6	9	18	31
Carlisle	25	7	1	4	29	10	1	5	7	17	28	30
Crystal P.	25	6	5	2	19	13	1	4	7	8	19	30
Charlton	25	6	1	5	20	20	2	4	7	13	21	29
Middlesbrough	25	4	4	1	25	22	2	6	5	13	22	28
Cambridge	25	7	4	2	10	10	2	0	10	7	27	27
Burnley	25	5	3	5	22	18	1	1	10	13	29	22
Derby	25	3	6	4	17	20	0	5	7	10	22	20

Division Three

	P	W	D	L	F	A	W	D	L	F	A	P
Lincoln	24	12	0	1	41	6	5	1	5	13	14	52
Cardiff	25	10	1	1	24	10	5	3	5	21	24	49
Huddersfield	25	9	4	0	35	10	4	3	5	14	18	46
Portsmouth	25	10	0	2	25	10	4	4	5	15	20	46
Bristol R.	26	10	2	1	38	10	3	3	7	19	24	44
Oxford Utd.	24	5	6	0	21	11	7	1	5	21	15	43
Newport	25	7	4	2	24	14	5	2	5	19	18	42
Wigan	26	8	0	5	25	16	4	2	7	20	25	38
Brentford	26	9	2	3	37	19	1	4	7	19	28	36
Southend	25	7	3	2	25	13	3	2	8	12	19	35
Gillingham	26	6	3	4	19	15	3	4	6	12	15	34
Plymouth	24	9	0	3	20	14	1	4	7	15	28	34
Reading	26	7	2	4	25	23	3	1	9	9	32	33
Bradford C.	25	6	5	2	25	17	2	3	7	13	23	32
Exeter City	27	6	3	4	26	22	1	7	6	21	38	31
Sheffield U.	23	7	2	3	20	11	1	4	6	8	18	30
Wrexham	25	6	4	2	15	8	1	5	7	8	28	30
Bournemouth	26	5	4	3	18	11	3	2	9	9	33	30
Chesterfield	25	4	3	6	18	14	2	5	10	17	26	
Doncaster	26	5	7	2	32	25	1	1	10	8	26	26
Reading	26	6	3	4	23	19	0	5	8	15	33	26
Walsall	24	5	3	4	14	15	1	4	7	16	28	25
Preston	25	3	7	2	18	13	2	0	11	14		
Millwall	25	4	6	2	16	14	0	9	11	28	22	22



Above: Coventry's Mark Hateley (9) heads Coventry's second goal against non-League Worcester in the Third Round of the FA Cup.



Right: The ball crashes into the net from Hateley's header to give the 'Sky Blues' a 2-1 lead. The First Division side ran out 3-1 winners.



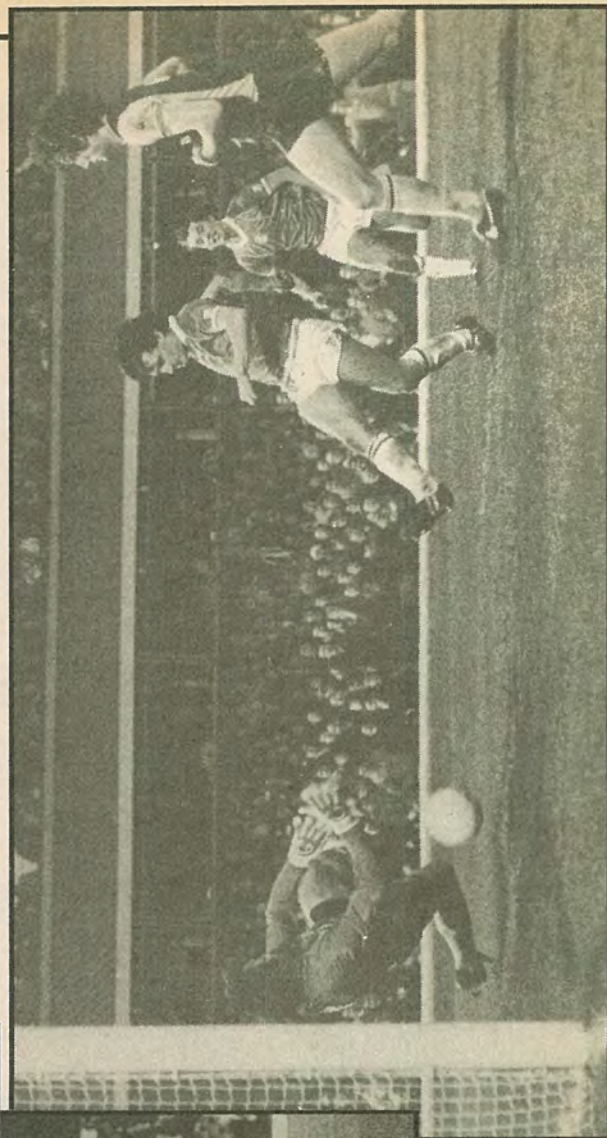
Take that! Kevin Sheedy blasts Everton in to a 2-0 lead against Luton at Goddison Park. 'The Toffeemen' eventually routed the First Division new boys 5-0.

GET IN!



Above: Leeds' young midfielder John Sheridan (far right) beats Alan Gowling and Preston 'keeper Peter Litchfield to set his team on the way to a 3-0 FA Cup Third Round victory at Elland Road.

Right: Ian Handysides makes the battle of Birmingham safe for 'The Blues' as he hammers home the second goal against European Champions Aston Villa. Birmingham won the derby game 3-0.



JOCK Wallace's Motherwell are my outside bet for success in this year's Scottish FA Cup.

The 'Big Man' enjoyed considerable triumphs in cup competitions with both Rangers and Leicester. He led the English Second Division team to the Semi-Finals of the FA Cup last season.

So I'm going for the newly promoted Premier Division team to beat Clyde in the Third Round on Saturday.

After making a sticky start to the campaign, Motherwell are beginning to put their game together.

Jock Wallace admits that the reason his team didn't start too well this term was because it took him time to get adjusted to Scottish football again. He says it's improved a lot since he was in charge of Rangers.

But the Motherwell manager is a master at motivation and I'm sure his players will be in the perfect frame of mind for the match.

Their confidence will be sky-high after beating Celtic 2-1 at Fir Park. It was perfect revenge for the 7-0 drubbing they received earlier in the season.

We've got a tough away tie against Hibernian but that suits me fine. I'd much prefer to play a Premier Division side than someone like Brora Rangers.

Our game has got to be the tie of the round and I'm sure there'll be a good crowd at Easter Road.

Following our victory in last year's Final against Rangers there is going to be a lot of pressure on us to repeat our Scottish Cup success. To be honest I'm glad of the pressure. I believe that we play better when we're under the hammer.

If there isn't much pressure on you there is a tendency to become lackadaisical and that's when your problems can begin.

The magic of the Cup is nowhere better illustrated than at Dens Park, where Highland League side Brora Rangers face their own 'final' against Premier Division Dundee.

I was absolutely delighted when I heard that the amateurs had beaten Montrose in the Second

MOTHERWELL ON THE MARCH BIG JOCK'S BOYS FOR CUP GLORY

Round because up in Aberdeen we have a lot of contact with Highland League teams and have always found them very friendly.

Many of our pre-season matches are played against them, although I've never actually come up against Brora. I believe they are the most northerly team in the League.

I don't give Brora a hope of winning at Dundee. The match is too important financially for the Premier Division team to lose.

Dundee have improved recently and much of that has been due to the form of midfielder Cammie Fraser. His form this season has already earned him a Match Weekly 'Matchman of the Month' award.

The team have also been bolstered in defence by the addition of goalkeeper Colin Kelly. In recent years the club have always seemed to rely on small goalkeepers, but the six foot plus frame seems to have given the back four extra confidence.

Clydebank have the youngest team in the Scottish League — in one game this season nine of their team were under 20 — and I reckon they'll be too inexperienced to cope with the visit of mighty Celtic.

The current League Cup holders and League Champions have too much firepower up front for Clydebank.

Clydebank goalkeeper Brian Gallacher is a player that has always impressed me however. I played against him in my Dundee days and reckoned that it would only be a matter of time before a big club came in for him. For some unknown reason that hasn't happened.

Rangers — under pressure from the press and their fans — face a difficult visit to Falkirk, although I can't see the visitors faltering.

Falkirk is a great little town and the football club has a lot of support. There'll be a big gate at Brockville Park for this one.

The second all-Premier Division clash in the Scottish Cup is at St Mirren who take on Dundee United — a team also chasing the UEFA Cup and the League Championship.

This is St Mirren's last chance of glory this season so they'll be all out to unsettle the strong Dundee United side. I reckon a draw could be on the cards here.

Normally I'd go for a United win, but the lads have gone through a sticky patch recently. After we beat them 3-0 at Tannadice they've struggled.

THE GORDON STRACHAN COLUMN

It's Scottish FA Cup Third Round day on Saturday and the Aberdeen and Scotland star comes up with a surprise prediction! Don't miss his regular column — every fortnight.



Manager Jim McLean even dropped defender David Narey recently because he was beginning to feel his legs after the World Cup campaign. After 18 months of solid football he needed a rest.

I was in the same position just before Christmas. My legs were beginning to feel heavy but a bout of flu plus a week in Torremolinos proved to be just the tonic.

It's funny to say that the flu helped me, but it gave me a full week in bed and that got me completely rested. A club tour to sunny Spain helped me regain my full fitness and now I'm raring to go again.

We flew off immediately after our 1-1 draw with St Mirren and I must admit I enjoyed the change of scenery.

Manager Alex Ferguson had us training as hard as ever, but at least it was nice to be running around in the sunshine rather than the snow and ice of Aberdeen.

I just hope it does the trick. It was funny ringing my wife back home while we were out in Spain. I'd be sitting on the balcony in my

shirt sleeves and she'd be telling me how cold it was back home.

I was well wrapped up when I returned to Aberdeen but I felt the cold a bit for the first few days!

I believe mid-season breaks are very important indeed. They take your mind off the pressures of League football and give you a chance to relax.

Let's hope the benefit is proved by results!

See you in two weeks.

● Gordon Strachan was talking to Anthony Hawkswell.

● Full fixtures for the Scottish FA Cup Third Round can be found on Page 22.



Jock Wallace — he can lead Motherwell to Scottish FA Cup glory.

TERRACE TALK

Edited by Michael Weavers



WELCOME to the best read letters page in football . . . with unique prizes for every reader who gets his or her letter published!

Yes, throughout the season we'll be giving away a super metal lapel badge (pictured) to every person whose comments are published in 'Match' and each badge will carry that special 'Terrace Talk' logo.

It's a prize that money can't buy and one could be yours! Plus we will be giving a prize of £10 for what we consider to be the star letter of the week and, of course, the sender will also receive a 'Terrace Talk' badge.

So get those letters coming in NOW and you could be the envy of your friends.

Write to: Michael Weavers, 'Terrace Talk' Editor, Match Weekly, Stirling House, Bretton, Peterborough PE3 8DJ.

I THINK 'Match' is magic but there's a remarkable lack of Scottish letters in 'Terrace Talk'. That's because your magazine neglects Scottish football.

You rarely carry features and posters on Scottish players, and that's wrong — especially when the Scottish League has such good ideas as banning alcohol from grounds.

David Peters, Baildon, West Yorkshire.

● **NEGLECT the Scots? How can you say that when we are currently featuring Danny McGrain's life story, Gordon Strachan's column appears fortnightly and didn't we print a two-page poster of Rangers last week?**

AFTER watching the TV highlights of Shrewsbury's match with Chelsea, I was appalled by the foul language of the chanting fans.

How can any responsible father take his family to a match when they are exposed to such bad language?

Brian Clough's sign at Forest 'No swearing gentlemen, please' was a step in the right direction. So come on fans, keep it clean. Roger Grainger, Inkberrow, Worcs.

SUNDERLAND's recent signing, striker Frank Worthington, has said that he is back where he belongs — in the First Division — following his move from Leeds. He also said that Sunderland

are too good to be relegated. Doesn't that have a familiar ring to it?

I remember Frank saying exactly the same about Leeds when he joined them from Birmingham last season.

Frank was wrong then — Leeds were relegated — and he will be proved wrong again when Sunderland find themselves in the Second Division.

John McBrearty, Benfleet, Essex.

I WAS interested to read Anne Taylor's letter in 'Terrace Talk'. She said that Liverpool players — with the exception of Alan Kennedy — refused to sign autographs after their First Division match at Norwich.

I found the Liverpool team in a similar mood after their game at Notts County. They all refused to sign for the autograph hunters, except Kennedy, Phil Neal and, after some persuasion, Kenny Dalglish.

I understand that players may be tired after a game but surely it wouldn't hurt to sign the autograph books of a few loyal fans.

C. Richmond, Beeston, Notts.

I WAS amazed to read Paul Curran's letter in 'Terrace Talk' when he said that it costs him just 80p to see Celtic play Rangers.

That's great value when you can see two of Scotland's best teams in action for such a low price.

I'm sure that if English clubs reduced their prices, they would



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attract the same sort of gates that Celtic boast.

Trevor Allen, Knocknaheeny, Republic of Ireland.

IF OR one will not be cheering as Ossie Ardiles once again dons a Tottenham shirt.

I cannot forget Ardiles' comments supporting Argentina's invasion of the Falklands and I feel Keith Burkinshaw is wrong to bring Ardiles back to play in this country.

At least Ricky Villa had the good sense to keep quiet and play football during the Falklands trouble.
Mike Laney, Portishead, Bristol.



Ossie Ardiles — both in for praise and under fire.

I MUST disagree with Hin Lun Chan of Carshalton, who said in 'Terrace Talk' that Liverpool will falter in their question for the First Division Championship.

When you consider that Liverpool were 12th at Christmas last season and still won the title, they must be near-certainties to lift the trophy with a ten-point lead at the same stage this time around.

If Liverpool don't win the title this year, I'll eat my scarf.
William Ashton, Sutton, Surrey.

HERE'S my football top ten:

- 1 Friend Or Foe — Jimmy Greaves and Brian Clough.
- 2 A Little Peace — Leeds fans.
- 3 Fame — Gary Mabbutt.
- 4 I Don't Care What They Say — Kenny Dalglish.
- 5 Promised You A Miracle — Peter Taylor.
- 6 Classic — Paul Mariner.
- 7 Deutcher Boy — Karl-Heinz Rummenigge.
- 8 This Old House — Goldstone Ground.
- 9 Happy Talk — foreign commentators.
- 10 Friends — Steve Sherwood and Mike Robinson.

R. Warren, Beeston, Nottingham.

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Rossi is not Europe's best

I AM amazed that Paolo Rossi of Italy and Juventus has been named European Footballer of the Year.

After all, he played only a handful of games before the World Cup Finals and only found his scoring form in the closing stages of the competition.

In my opinion, players like France's Giresse, our own Bryan Robson and Rossi's Italian team-mate Bruno Conti, were all worthier candidates for Europe's top footballer award.

It makes me wonder about the standard of judging when a player who has been banned for his part in a bribes scandal, can win the award merely for three outstanding performances in the World Cup.

Andrew Costello, Wallsend, Tyne and Wear.



Manchester United and England skipper Bryan Robson — worthier candidate for the title of European Footballer of the Year, says Andrew Costello

AFTER reading an article in the Match Weekly 1983 Special about £1 million players, it is now questionable as to whether they were worth the fortune paid for them.

The huge sums paid out may well have played a part in football's current financial plight.

No player is worth £1 million. Just think of the ground repairs a club could carry out with that sort of money.
David Smith (13), Styvechale, Coventry.

AS a Spurs fan, I am overjoyed now that Ossie Ardiles is back at White Hart Lane.

He may have to face catcalls and jeers from rivals fans following his comments during the Falklands crisis, but Ossie will be very welcome at White Hart Lane, where his skills will be well appreciated.

Alan Headon, Dublin, Eire.

I TOTALLY disagree with Tony Risvegilia, who said in 'Terrace Talk' that if Glenn Hoddle was to leave Spurs at the end of the season for Italian football, it would make him a better player.

Glenn doesn't need to move from Tottenham to improve his skills. He is already Britain's most skilful player. Tottenham would sorely miss a player of Glenn's ability.
Joanne Kelly (15), Bradford, West Yorkshire.

WHAT a brilliant job Graham Hawkins and Derek Dougan have done for Wolves.

They have assembled a great team of battlers who never give up, even when they go a goal down.

Wolves are in a class of their own in the Second Division. They seem sure to go up as Champions.
Tony Neocleous, Hillingdon, Middlesex.

I HAVE recently qualified as a referee and I found the referee's course a thoroughly enjoyable experience.

I think that all supporters would benefit greatly from studying the rules of the game. Then perhaps they'll think twice before being abusive to the poor old ref!
Craig Brown, Orpington, Kent.

PLEASE tell me, is Gordon Strachan married?
Angelika Junge, Cologne, West Germany.

● YES, to Lesley, and he has two children, Gavin and Craig.

ASTON Villa winger Tony Morley was just making feeble excuses when he blamed the state of the pitch for Villa's World Club Championship defeat by Penarol in Tokyo.

The pitch was the same for both sides. Villa were beaten by the better team.

Morley also claimed in 'Match' that he was "the best winger in Britain". When he has won as many caps as Steve Coppell, he can then claim that with some justification...
Daniel Buckingham (11), Uxbridge, Middlesex.



Villa's Tony Morley — making feeble excuses, says Daniel Buckingham.

GOLDEN GOOF

"ARE Tottenham planning to draft Mrs Ardiles into their team?" asks Neil Dawkins of Westcliff-on-Sea, Essex, who spotted this Golden Goof:

There was certainly no public pressure from Ardiles yesterday. He missed Spurs' match at West Ham with an ear infection and may miss tomorrow's game against Everton as well. 'Both Ossie and his wife have the infection,' said manager Keith Burkinshaw, who must be hoping one of them will be fit for next Saturday's Cup-tie with Southampton. Picture: PHIL SHELDON

SHAME on Graeme Souness! He said this month in his column in 'Match' that he was disappointed that Scotland lost 2-1 to Russia in the World Cup Finals.

He must have a short memory. Scotland drew the game 2-2 and Souness himself scored Scotland's equaliser!
Ian McKay, Ayr, Scotland.

● YOU'RE Right and Graeme's wrong. How the Liverpool ace can forget scoring his one and only goal in the 1982 Finals is beyond me!

WHY has Stoke City's black winger Mark Chamberlain, who won an England cap against Luxembourg, suddenly gone off the boil?

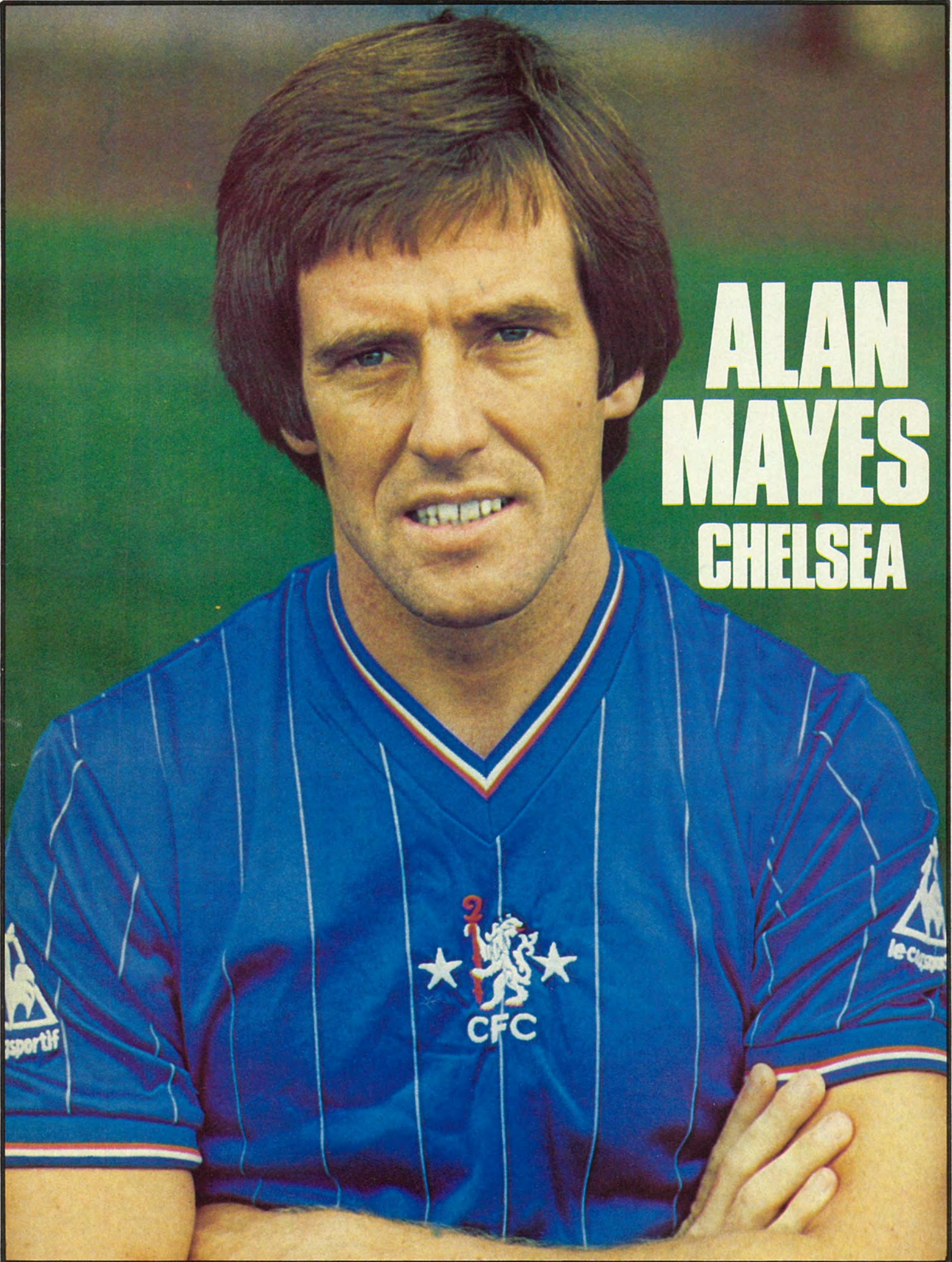
At the start of the season, Chamberlain was in dazzling form and his marvellous performances coincided with Stoke's surge up the First Division table.

Stoke have since slipped down the League and Chamberlain himself has let his own high standards drop. He seems to have retained his skills but seldom uses them. Just what has gone wrong?
Stuart Caldwell (14), Beaconside, Stafford.

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WALLACE**
Southampton



A color portrait of Alan Mayes, a footballer, wearing a blue Chelsea kit with white vertical stripes. He has dark brown hair and is looking directly at the camera with a slight smile. The background is a mottled green. The text 'ALAN MAYES' and 'CHELSEA' is printed in large, bold, white letters with a yellow outline on the right side of the image. The Chelsea crest is visible on his chest, and the number '2' is printed above it. On the left sleeve, there is a logo with the word 'sportif' below it. On the right sleeve, there is a logo with the text 'le club' below it.

ALAN MAYES

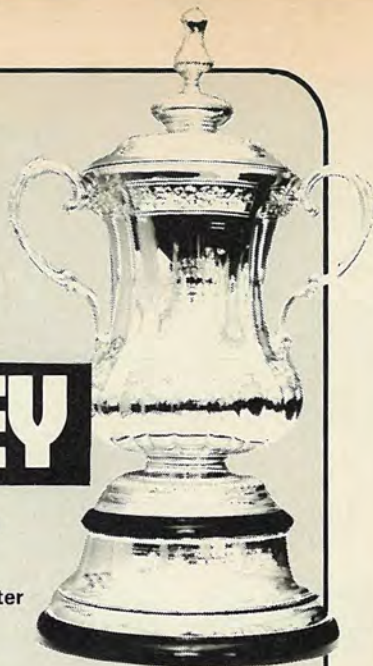
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ALL THE WAY TO WEMBLEY



WE'RE on the FA Cup trail with cock-a-hoop Coventry.

After their 3-1 Third Round home victory over brave part-timers Worcester City, the First Division side find themselves Match Weekly's adopted team in our fascinating series 'All the way to Wembley'.

And it's written in the stars, according to one long established almanac, that a Midlands team will win the FA Cup this season.

With Nottingham Forest out, Coventry rate as the next best bet if First Division form has any real meaning in cup football.

And history would certainly be made if the 'Sky Blues' were to reach Wembley.

Coventry have never ever made it to the Semi-Finals, let alone the Final, so it would be

appropriate in this their centenary year.

They have reached the Sixth Round three times in the last twenty years, including last season when they bowed out to West Brom.

Prior to that, they went out to Manchester United in 1963 and to Wolves ten years later.

Having reached the Fifth Round in 1981 and the Sixth Round last year, can they go at least one better this time and make history?



Mark Hateley — looking to go one better than his father.

YOUNG Coventry striker Mark Hateley believes he could re-trace his father's distinguished footsteps all the way to Wembley this year.

It was 16 years ago that much-travelled Tony led the Chelsea attack in their 2-1 defeat at the hands of Tottenham.

And he has constantly reminded his 21-year-old son that playing in a Cup Final at Wembley remains one of the highlights of anyone's career.

But Mark, six goals in his last seven games up to January 15, hopes to carry the family name a stage further by achieving England honours at that famous stadium.

"Dad didn't manage to make the England team at any level, and it's my long-term ambition to play at the top level," says Mark, who was a member of last season's successful Under-21 squad.

"I may be somewhat down the queue of potential England strikers at the moment, but I'm only 21 and I've got time on my side.

"I believe I'm playing the best football of my career and I hope I can continue to improve to enable me to win a place in the next World Cup."

Mark knows that continued success at Coventry would put his name into the limelight even more and there's no place better than Wembley in May to underline potential.

But first Coventry have a little

MARK'S TARGET IS THE FINAL

matter of climbing over the Fourth Round hurdle provided by fellow First Division rivals Norwich City at Highfield Road.

Ironically, it was the 2-0 home defeat of Norwich in October that proved to be the turning point for Mark.

"I had a disappointing start to the season with injury and being played out of position," explains Mark.

"I was more or less operating as a left winger early on, and I thought it was going to be one of those seasons.

"I then missed seven games before returning to the side against Norwich as an out and out centre-forward and I haven't looked back since then.

"I'm regularly among the goals and I've managed to strike up a pretty successful partnership with Jim Melrose, who has taken over Garry Thompson's role.

"I just hope we can keep it going both in the League and Cup."

Despite Coventry's psychological advantage of a 2-0 home victory over Norwich, Mark expects the relegation battlers to provide stiff opposition.

"We didn't manage to break

them down until the last ten minutes in October, but we weren't playing so well then as we are now.

"Our confidence is sky-high at the moment, and we were not worried about the Cup draw so long as we were at home.

"Naturally, it's nice to avoid teams like Liverpool at this stage, but we're confident of beating anyone at the moment.

"There is no reason why we couldn't go all the way to Wembley this season. At the moment, we are playing as well as any other team in the League.

"We suffered the setback of a League Cup Semi-Final defeat by West Ham two years ago, but I think all the youngsters learned the lessons from that.

"I believe we are at last fulfilling the promise we have shown for the past few seasons, and it would be great for the club if we could achieve some national recognition this season."

Mark and his team-mates will no doubt be looking at the Cup betting odds with interest.

They look like being considerably in pocket following a bet struck at the beginning of the season.

"Gerry Francis had a fiver off each of the players to back Coventry achieving a place in Europe next season," says Mark.

"And, at odds of 33-1, it doesn't look a bad bet at the moment with us holding down a place in the top six.

"So, I suppose we'll have to take a look at the Cup odds before very long.

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REVIEW SPOT

IT was like an old boys reunion when Manchester City faced Norwich in a First Division clash at Maine Road earlier this month.

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Norwich countered with City loanee Age Hareide and Martin O'Neill — the latter scoring their consolation goal in a 4-1 defeat.

Looking at the programme for that match, there was an interesting article recalling four former City players, and one current, in Dennis Tueart, who actually made their club debuts against Norwich in the past.

And they picked out Norwich full-back Greg Downs for a special focus having been the club's 'Player of the Season' last year.

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EUROPE'S top scorer last season — Dutch sensation Wim Kieft — strikes fear into the hearts of the world's top defenders.

But the 20-year-old, who won the Golden Shoe award for his scoring exploits, revealed that he was so shy when he first made the grade with mighty Ajax that he feared being recognised.

And to make sure that no-one noticed him as he walked down the streets of Amsterdam he used to turn his Ajax kit bag inside out so the name of the club couldn't be seen!

"I've always been a bit on the shy side," says Wim: "The sudden attention knocked me off my feet — I was lost. After just one season everyone in Holland was talking about me."

The youngster has been in and out of the Ajax side this season and he says: "I've had my ups and downs but I'm learning all the time. I've still got time on my side."

Wim is also determined to become more ruthless on the pitch. He explains: "I play too much like a nice boy and against a hard stopper that can cause me problems."

"I hope I can develop a ruthless streak — like West German striker Horst Hrubesch. Physically I can't fight against a big stopper, but I'm sure it will come if I listen and learn."

The return of superstar and former Ajax hero Johan Cruyff to the club has given fans hope that the glory days may soon be returning.

"Johan may be nearly 35-years-old but to me he's still the greatest. He's like a professor to the younger players in the team and his return couldn't have come at a

SHY BOY!

BUT KIEFT IS EUROPE'S MOST FEARED STRIKER

better time," says Wim.

The three times European Champions currently have a side brimming with young talent and have been dubbed 'The Ajax Babes'.

"The name comes from the 'Busby Babes' when Manchester United had such a fine young team. I was too young to remember it, but it's an honour to be even thought about in comparison with them."



THE bonus Italy's players received for winning the World Cup added up to the biggest-ever pay out in world football.

Each player earned a total of £90,000, as well as being feted and honoured by the country's President, Sandro Pertini, with a host of special functions and titles.

FOOTBALL in Austria is hitting an all-time low in spite of the national team's successes in the World Cup.

Crowds have been dropping off and one of the country's most famous clubs 1st FC Vienna reached such a bad position with their crowds, that the directors went round giving away free tickets to local residents who lived nearby to encourage them along to give the matches some atmosphere.

BRAZIL, who were scheduled to be one of England's opponents on their 1983 South American tour, will now tour Europe. They will meet West Germany, Switzerland, Sweden and Portugal during June.

LUCKY ITALY

BRAZILIAN star Zico claims that Italy didn't deserve their World Cup success.

He is reported to have told a leading Brazilian magazine: "Italy didn't deserve their triumph at all."

"They haven't won a game since July. They beat a weak Poland side without Boniek, and they defeated West Germany in the Final with a lucky streak when the Germans had run out of steam."

"The result was not just. Argentina had to lose three matches in the end to be beaten and knocked out. Italy played out three dull drawn games and Brazil, with only one defeat, found themselves knocked out before the Semi-Finals."

Tribute to Joe

ITALY'S teenage defender Guiseppe Bergomi rates AC Milan's Scottish striker Joe Jordan as his toughest opponent to date.

And, when you consider that the 18-year-old World Cup Final star has crossed swords with some of the world's top strikers, that's a real compliment to big Joe.

Among his recent foes have been Austria's Walter Schachner, West Germany's Karl-Heinz Rummenigge, Brazil's Serginho and Poland's Grzegorz Lato.

Gerets up for grabs

BELGIUM full-back Eric Gerets is being lined-up as a big money target for West German side Cologne.

The bearded World Cup skipper is set to leave Standard Liege when his contract expires this summer.

But, if he joins Cologne and the Germans are in Europe next season, he won't be available for four matches because of suspension.

ZOUBA'S THE BOSS

THE new national manager of World Cup finalists Algeria is to be Hamid Zouba following the resignations of previous managers Rachid Mekloufi and Mohaldine Khalef.

It will be Zouba's second spell in charge. He was boss from 1968 to 1970.

The previous managers quit after a round of arguments and rows with the Algerian FA who seemed to be claiming that they expected more than an honourable exit from their team of brave battlers.

BAYERN 'BRIBE' BREITNER

BAYERN Munich manager Uli Hoeness refuses to believe West German star Paul Breitner will carry out his threat to retire at the end of the season.

"We don't believe it. But we do believe money will keep him here with us. Nobody needs to tell us Paul is gold to Bayern."

"If he signs a new contract for a further two years, he'll get a net £260,000 for his trouble. That's the highest we can go."

The World Cup midfield player plans to make a final decision before the end of the season.

One of the reasons behind his planned retirement is the problem of recovering from matches.

"Nowadays it takes me at least a week to make a full recovery from all the aches and pains of a game," he explains.

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WINGERS ARE WIDE

THE wonderful world of the winger is back!

There are now more than a dozen dashing wingers operating every Saturday in the First Division.

And their increasing presence is bringing extra excitement for the fans who revel in the sight of a winger running at defences and bombing in cross after cross.

For a long time after England's World Cup success, without recognised wide men, it appeared that wingers were no longer an important part of modern football.

It seemed there would be no successors to illustrious names like Tom Finney and Stanley Matthews, who we the scourge of defences after the war.

But now wingers are back with a vengeance as teams search for a potent formula to breach modern defensive technology.

Some teams, notably Liverpool, still fashion a successful blend without a winger, but they did enjoy winning ways a few years back with wingers like Peter Thompson, Ian Callaghan and Steve Heighway in their system.

But most of Liverpool's title rivals operate with an out-and-out winger, with new boys Watford lighting up the First Division down both flanks in the shape of Nigel Callaghan and John Barnes.

Today's wingers are not developed from the old-fashioned mould left by players like Matthews, but wide men are once again an important part of life in the First Division.

As Tottenham's Eire international Tony Galvin explains: "We are not wingers from the old days because they are probably obsolete."

"Wingers now have to do a job defensively as well and so they have become more of an all-round player."

"Teams couldn't afford the luxury of a winger who only had the ball a few times in a game. You couldn't expect him to work wonders every time he received the ball."

"So modern wingers have to be quick, good at running with the ball and able to defend as well."

"I believe wingers have a good future in the game. They have learned to become a part of a team and are working that bit harder."

"Clubs are looking more to entertain the fans and having wingers is helping to bring more excitement back to the game."

"I began as a wide midfielder player operating on either flank and it developed from there."

"I have been inspired by players like Liverpool's Steve Heighway and former Manchester City player Tommy Hutchison."

"Tommy was particularly exciting. He loved to run at defences with the ball and he was one of the best in the League in his time."

One of the new exciting breed of wingers in the top flight is Watford youngster Nigel Callaghan.

Like Tony Galvin, he began in midfield, but was transformed into a winger mainly because of his small stature.

"To be a winger, one has to know your own strengths. Some wingers are pacey, while others rely on their skill to get past defenders. I



Left: Nigel Callaghan — "If I get in a defensive position too often there's an inquest after the game."

Pen pals

I WOULD like a pen-pal (male or female) who supports Q.P.R. and is aged between 15 and 20.
Amin Lakhi, 2 Rose Bank (off Church Street), Bradford, W. Yorks. BD8 7NW.

I AM a 15-year-old Newcastle United supporter and would like a female pen pal aged between 14 and 18.
Van Keogh, 22 Benbow Road, Hammersmith W6, London.

MY favourite team is Ballymena United, but I also like Manchester United and Middlesbrough. I would like a pen pal aged 13 who lives anywhere outside the United Kingdom. I also enjoy motor cycle racing and pop music.
Stephen Picken, 10 Grant Avenue, Randalstown, County Antrim, Northern Ireland.

I AM a 14-year-old fan of Luton and Watford and would like a pen pal of my own age who supports the 'Hatters' or the 'Hornets' and lives in the United Kingdom.
Derek Day, 35 Harteforde Road, Borehamwood, Herts.

LEEDS United are my favourite team and I go to all their matches. I am 18-years-old and would like to write to anyone who supports Leeds.
Jane Broadbent, 8 Highfield Crescent, Meltham, Huddersfield.

I AM a 14-year-old Nottingham Forest supporter and would like a pen pal outside the British Isles who supports them, but has difficulty obtaining results and information.
Paul Wheaton, 20 The Weavers, Biddenden, Ashford, Kent.

Pen pals

BACK IN FAVOUR BOYS!

WONDERS on the wing! 'Match' highlights the re-emergence of soccer's wide boys — the players who are bringing new excitement to the game.

haven't got a lot of pace and so I try to beat players with skill.

"Myself and John Barnes are given a licence to attack at every opportunity. If we are seen in defensive positions too often, the manager gets concerned and there's a bit of an inquest afterwards.

"It's not only our job to get in plenty of accurate crosses, but also to score goals. A winger has to be more than simply a provider.

"If we haven't produced enough accurate crosses in a match, then we've had a bad game.

"I've found, in the First Division, that I have a little more time on the ball as full-backs don't commit themselves as early as Second Division players.

"It's a case of having to think more in the First. My job was a little easier in the Second with defenders diving in.

"There's no question that fans enjoy seeing wingers in action, they certainly appreciate it at Watford anyway.

"It makes for more entertaining football, particularly when a team is playing well.

"Wingers are certainly an important part of Watford's make-up and I'm sure that manager Graham Taylor would operate with two wingers wherever he went.

"But with so many good wingers about these days, it's going to make it a lot harder to gain international recognition as a winger."

Rotherham's Tony Towner is regarded as one of the best wingers in the Second Division.

He has been a winger throughout his career with Brighton and Millwall, and he wouldn't have changed it for anything.

"I love playing wide on the right and I think the fans enjoy seeing a winger in action," he says.

"Nowadays you see some clubs with as many as eight defenders in a team and there's nothing more boring than a match played around the centre circle.

"More and more clubs are operating with wide men and this can only help the entertainment aspect of the game.

"We're operating with two at Rotherham now that Joe McBride has joined us and it has meant me having to do more defensive duties.

"But basically I'm still a winger through and through and it's great to see so many young wingers getting their chance in the First Division."



Tony Galvin — "Wingers are helping bring more excitement back to the game."

CLASH OF THE GIANTS

Milk Cup Semi-Final Preview. As First Division superclubs Liverpool, Arsenal and Manchester United and Second Division Burnley prepare to do battle, 'Match Weekly' has asked top players from around the country 'who will make it to Wembley?' Their answers make fascinating reading.

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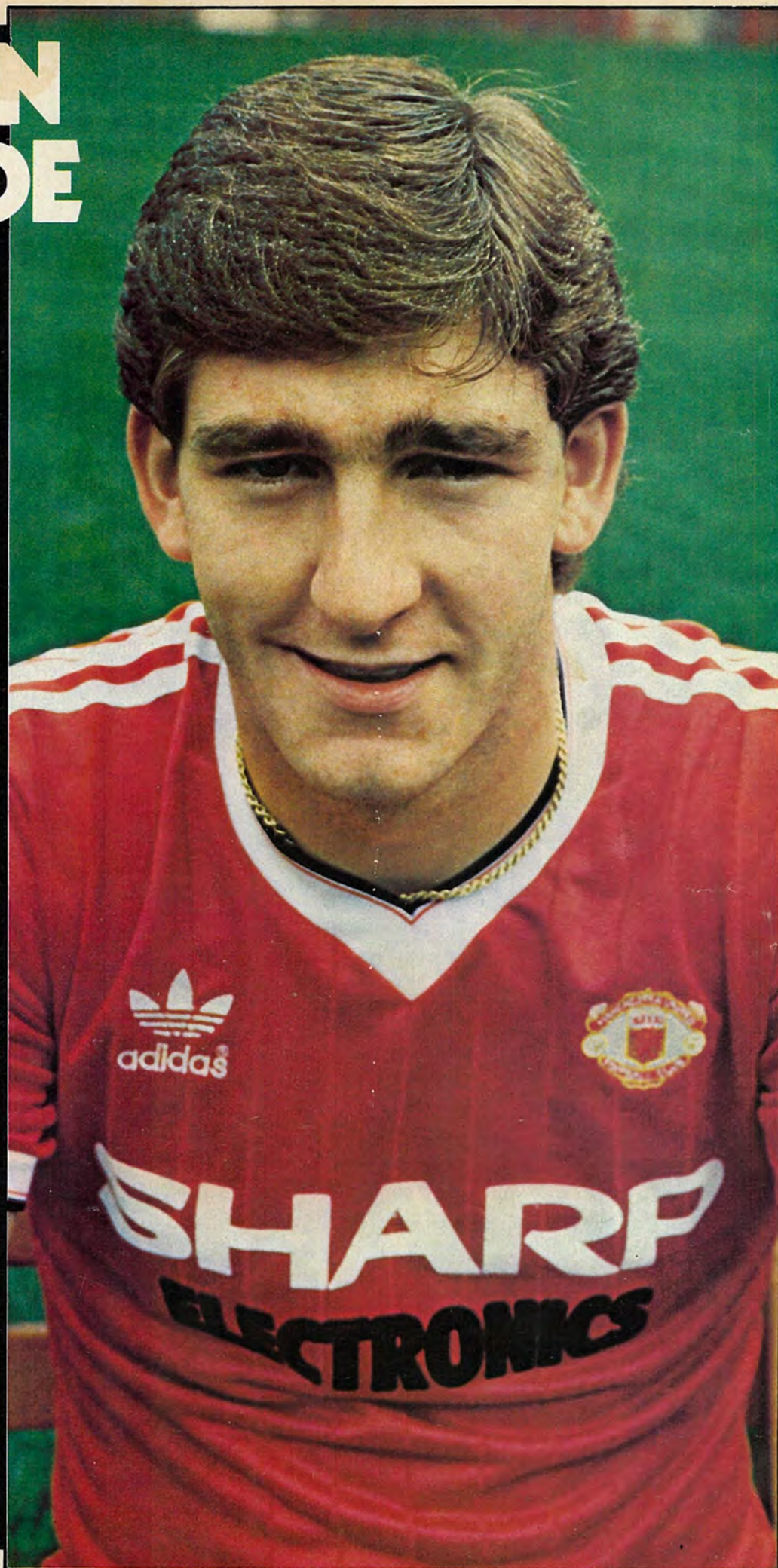


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NORMAN WHITESIDE

MANCHESTER UNITED and N IRELAND

FULL NAME: Norman Whiteside.
BIRTHPLACE/DATE: Belfast, May 7, 1965.
HEIGHT/WEIGHT: 6ft 0 1/2in/12st 7lbs.
MARRIED: No.
CAR: No.
PREVIOUS CLUBS: None.
TRADE BEFORE TURNING PRO: None.
CLUB NICKNAME: Russ (because I'm supposed to resemble Russ Abbot).
WORST EVER INJURY: Cartilage operation in 1981.
FAVOURITE FOOTBALL LEAGUE PLAYER AND WHY: There isn't one in particular.
FAVOURITE OTHER TEAM: I haven't got one.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN PLAYER AND WHY: Diego Maradona for his all round ability.
BEST ALL TIME BRITISH TEAM: Jennings, McGrain, Sansom, Moore, Labone, Stiles, Best, Charlton R, Law, Storey-Moore, Johnstone J.
ALL TIME INTERNATIONAL XI: Jennings (N. Ireland), Junior (Brazil), Briegel, Beckenbauer (both W. Germany), Krol, Cruyff (both Holland), Maradona (Argentina), Best (N. Ireland), Pele (Brazil), Charlton R. (England), Gento (Spain).
FAVOURITE AWAY GROUND: Goodison Park.
FAVOURITE FOREIGN STADIUM AT WHICH YOU HAVE PLAYED: Atletico Madrid.
BEST GOAL SCORED: Against Ipswich this season at Old Trafford.
BEST GOAL SEEN SCORED: Glenn Hoddle's against Manchester United in the 1979 League Cup.
MOST DIFFICULT OPPONENT: They are all difficult.
MOST MEMORABLE MATCH: Northern Ireland's 1-0 win over Spain in the World Cup Finals.
OWN MAGIC MOMENT IN FOOTBALL: Playing in the World Cup Finals.
BIGGEST DISAPPOINTMENT: Being out of football early last season after a cartilage operation.
FAVOURITE OTHER SPORTS: Snooker and table tennis.
MISCELLANEOUS LIKES: Playing other sports, resting and winning.
MISCELLANEOUS DISLIKES: Injuries and losing.
FAVOURITE TV SHOW: Fawcety Towers.
TV SHOW YOU ALWAYS SWITCH OFF: Crossroads.
FAVOURITE READING: I don't read much.
FAVOURITE POP STAR: Stevie Wonder.
FAVOURITE FOOD: Steak.
FAVOURITE DRINK: Milk.
BEST COUNTRY VISITED: America.
FAVOURITE ACTOR/ACTRESS: John Cleese and Penelope Keith.
BEST FILM SEEN IN PAST YEAR: Life of Brian.
BEST FRIEND: I have many.
BIGGEST INFLUENCE ON CAREER: A lot of people have helped me.
WHAT DON'T YOU LIKE ABOUT FOOTBALL: Losing.
SUPERSTITIONS: None.
PRE-MATCH MEAL: Steak, eggs and beans.
INTERNATIONAL HONOURS: Schoolboy, youth and full caps for Ireland.
PERSONAL AMBITION: To be happy and successful in life.
PROFESSIONAL AMBITION: To win domestic honours with United.
CAREER AFTER PLAYING: I haven't thought about it yet.
PLAYER FOR THE FUTURE: United's Paul McGrath.
WHO WOULD YOU MOST LIKE TO MEET: The Princess of Wales.
ADVICE TO YOUNGSTERS: Enjoy the game and work hard.



Norm Whiteside